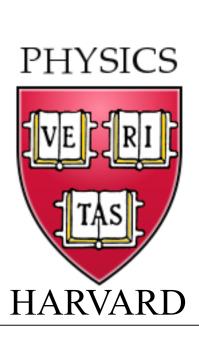
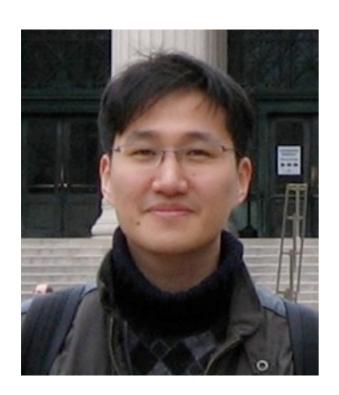
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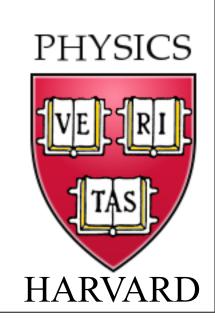


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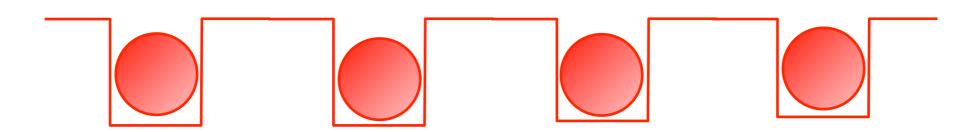
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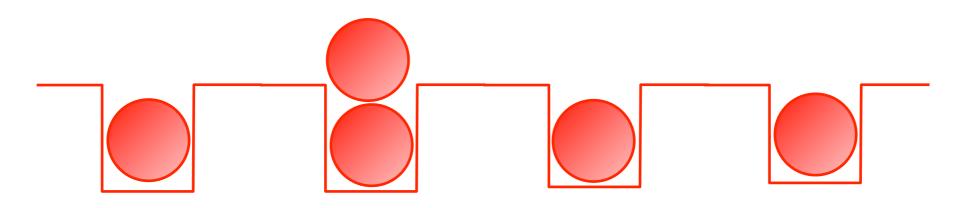
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Superfluid-insulator transition Superfluid state b Insulating state Ultracold ⁸⁷Rb atoms - bosons M. Greiner, O. Mandel, T. Esslinger, T. W. Hänsch, and I. Bloch, Nature 415, 39 (2002).



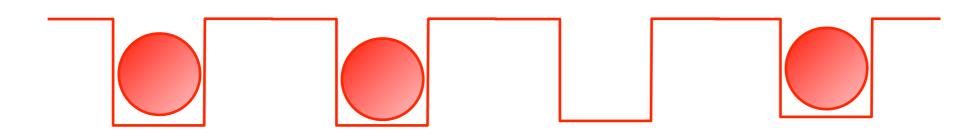
Insulator (the vacuum) at large U

Excitations:

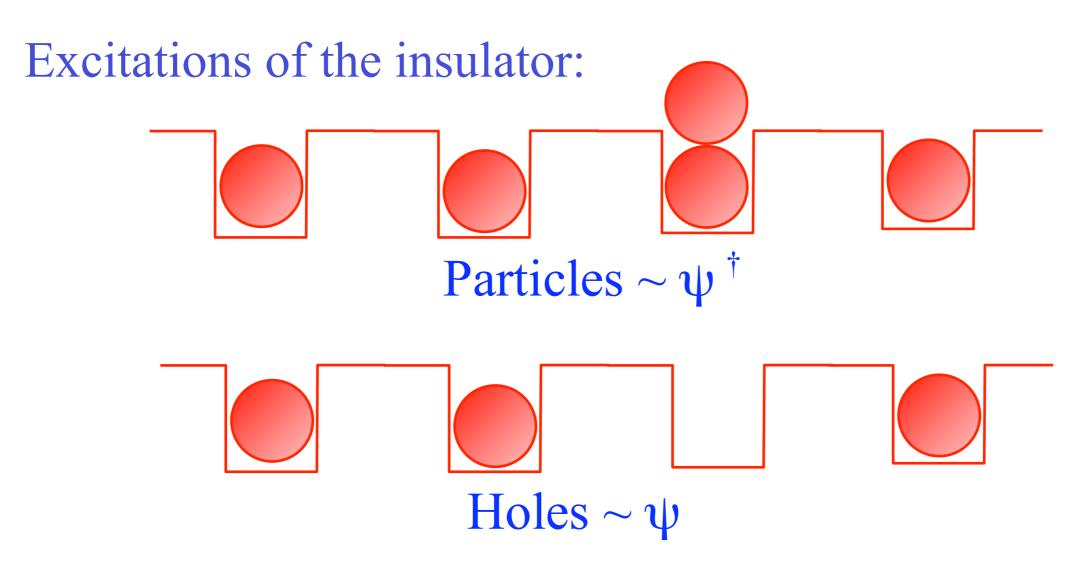


Particles $\sim \psi^{\dagger}$

Excitations:



Holes $\sim \psi$



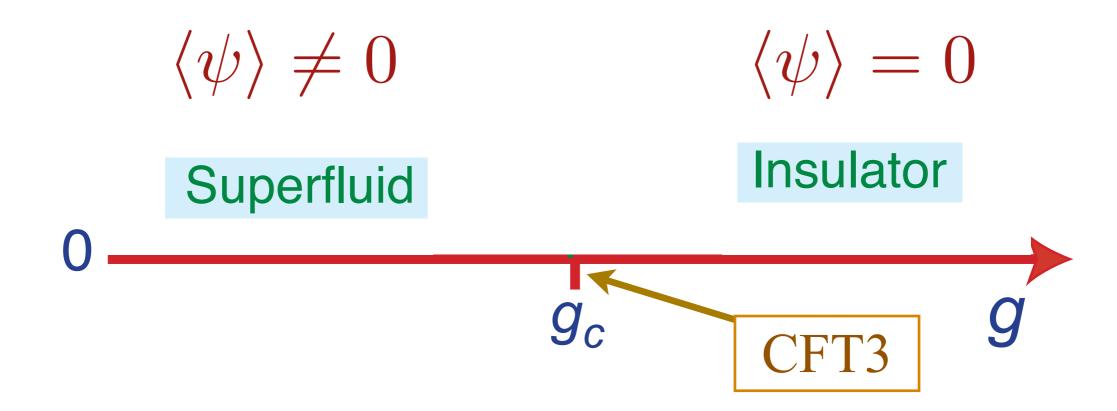
Density of particles = density of holes \Rightarrow "relativistic" field theory for ψ :

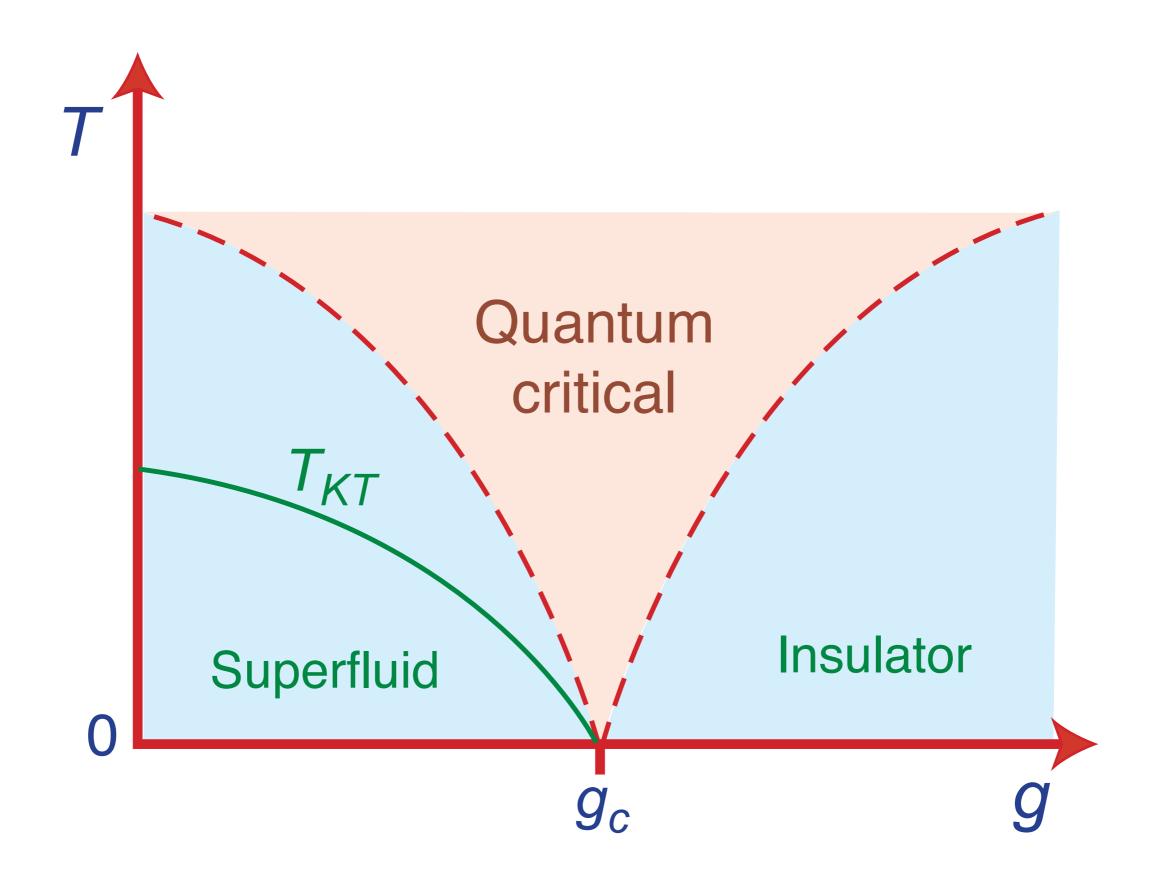
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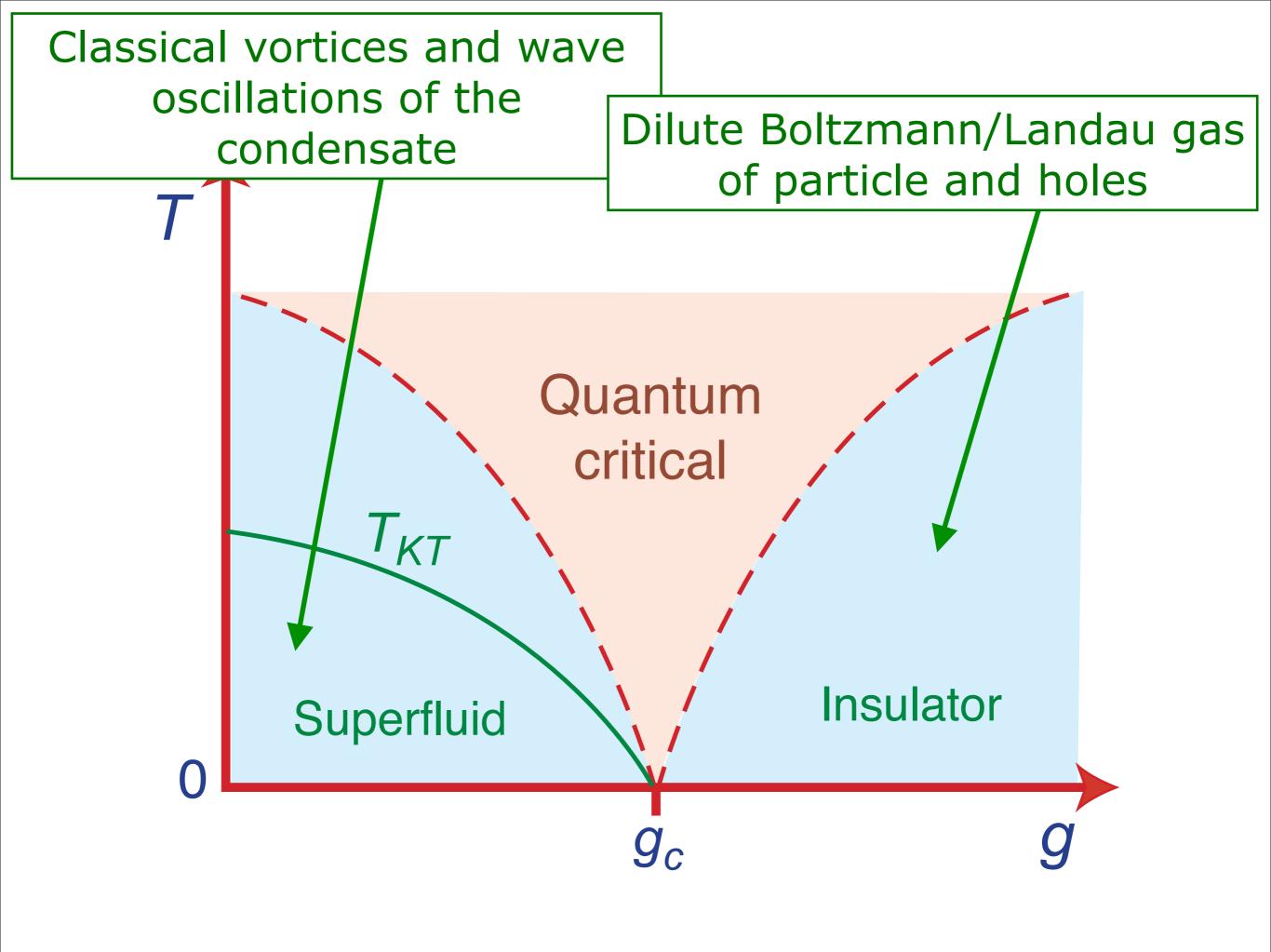
Insulator
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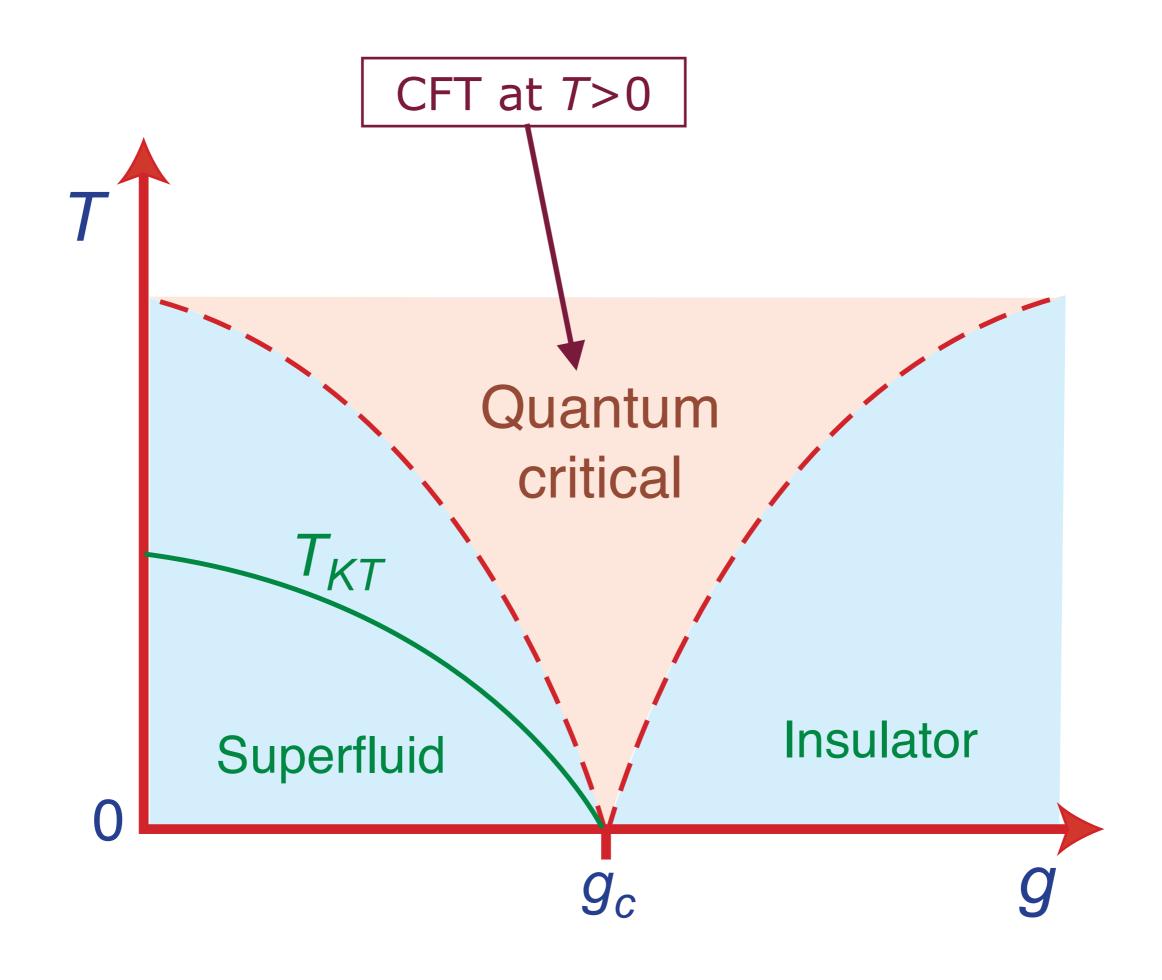
Superfluid
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Resistivity of Bi films

Conductivity σ

$$\sigma_{ ext{Superconductor}}(T o 0) = \infty$$
 $\sigma_{ ext{Insulator}}(T o 0) = 0$
 $\sigma_{ ext{Quantum critical point}}(T o 0) pprox rac{4e^2}{h}$

D. B. Haviland, Y. Liu, and A. M. Goldman, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **62**, 2180 (1989)

M. P. A. Fisher, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **65**, 923 (1990)

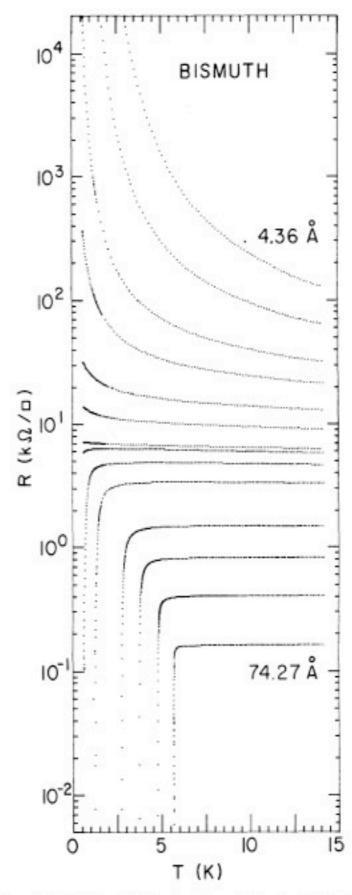


FIG. 1. Evolution of the temperature dependence of the sheet resistance R(T) with thickness for a Bi film deposited onto Ge. Fewer than half of the traces actually acquired are shown. Film thicknesses shown range from 4.36 to 74.27 Å.

Quantum critical transport

Quantum "perfect fluid" with shortest possible relaxation time, τ_R

$$au_R \gtrsim rac{\hbar}{k_B T}$$

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Transport co-oefficients not determined by collision rate, but by universal constants of nature

Electrical conductivity

$$\sigma = \frac{4e^2}{h} \times [\text{Universal constant } \mathcal{O}(1)]$$

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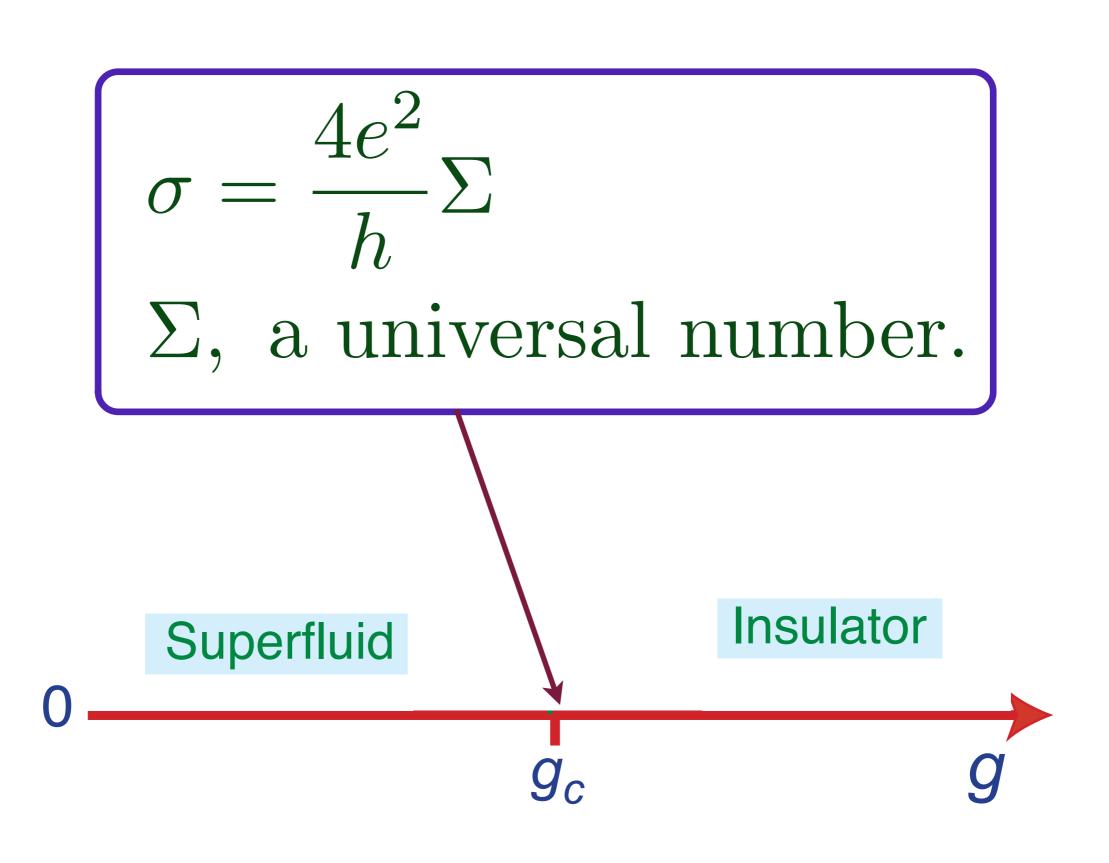
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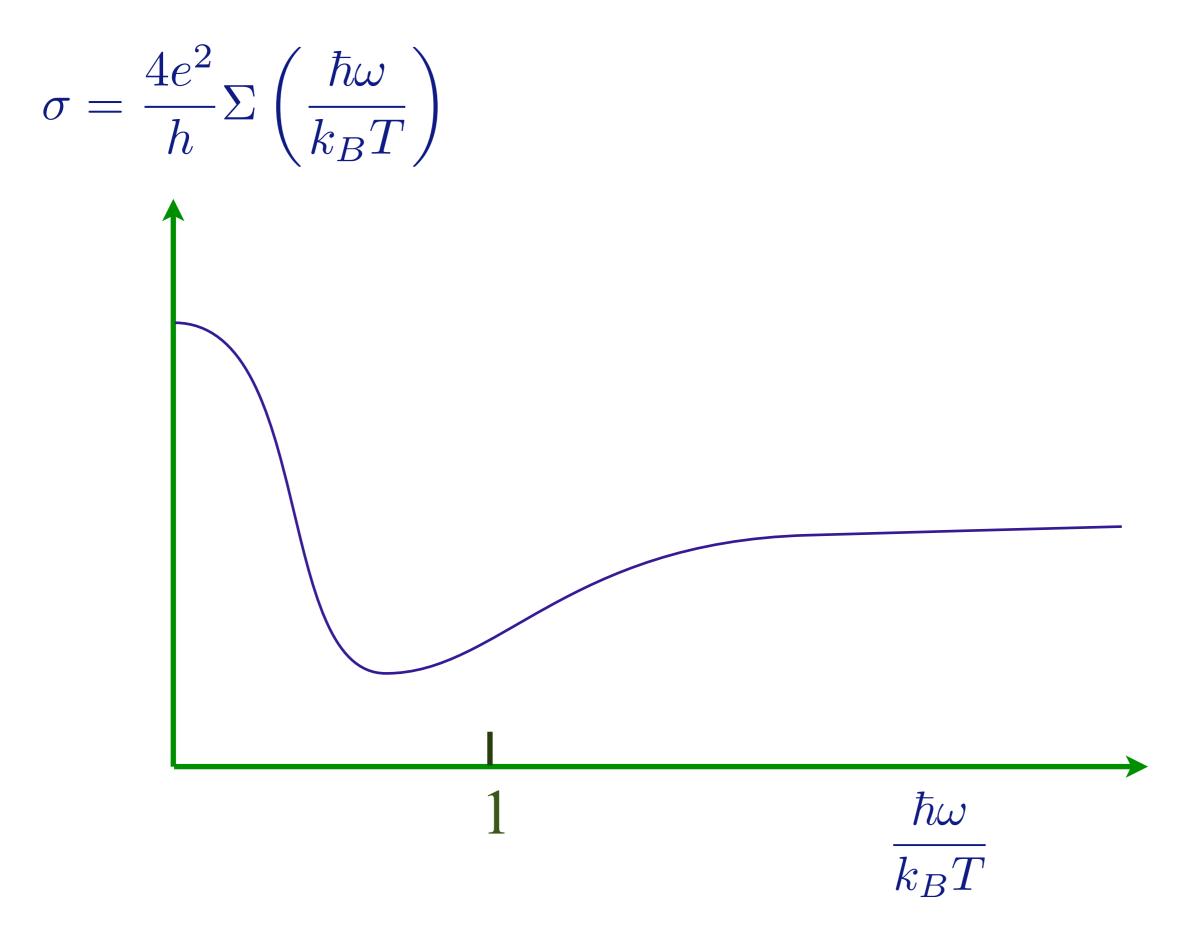
Momentum transport

$$\frac{\eta}{s} \equiv \frac{\text{viscosity}}{\text{entropy density}}$$

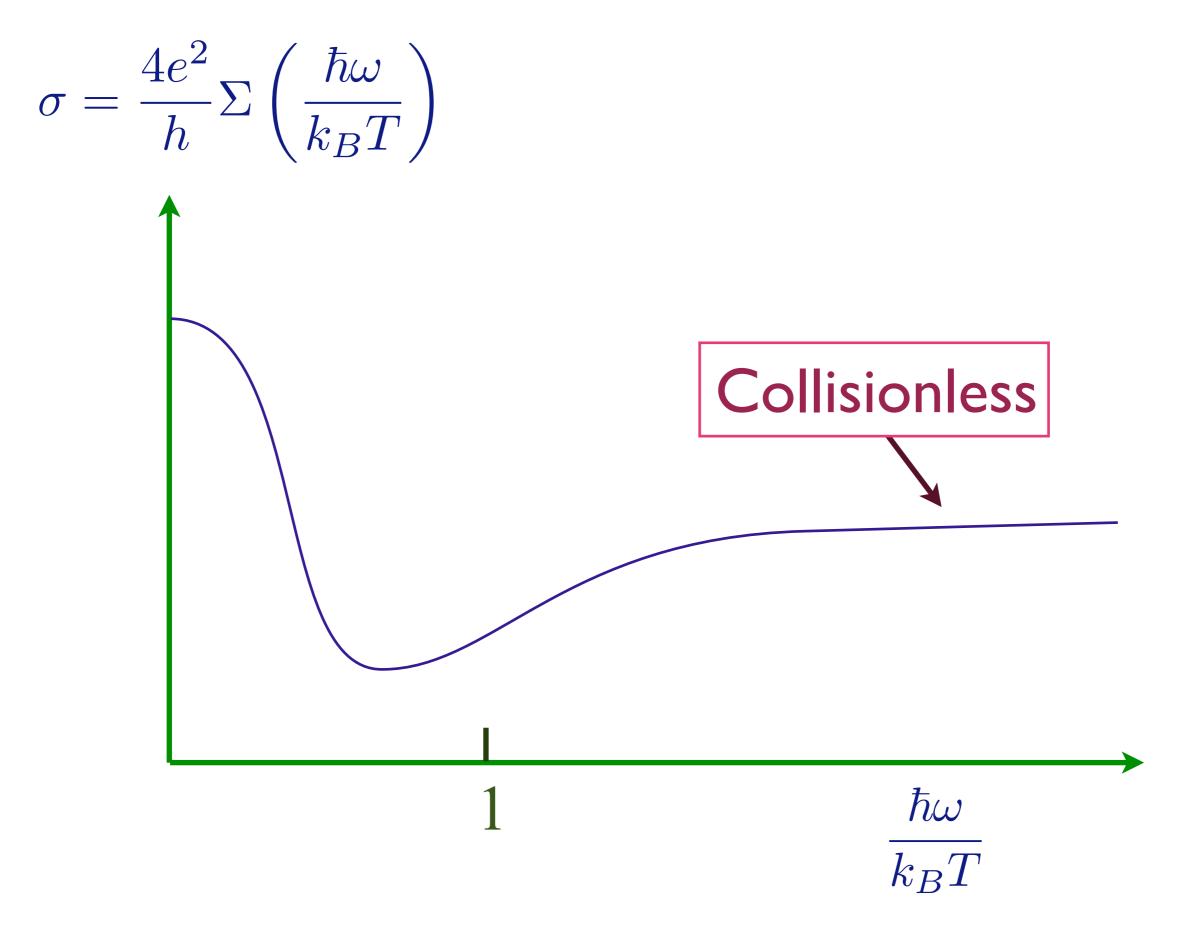
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P. Kovtun, D. T. Son, and A. Starinets, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **94,** 11601 (2005)





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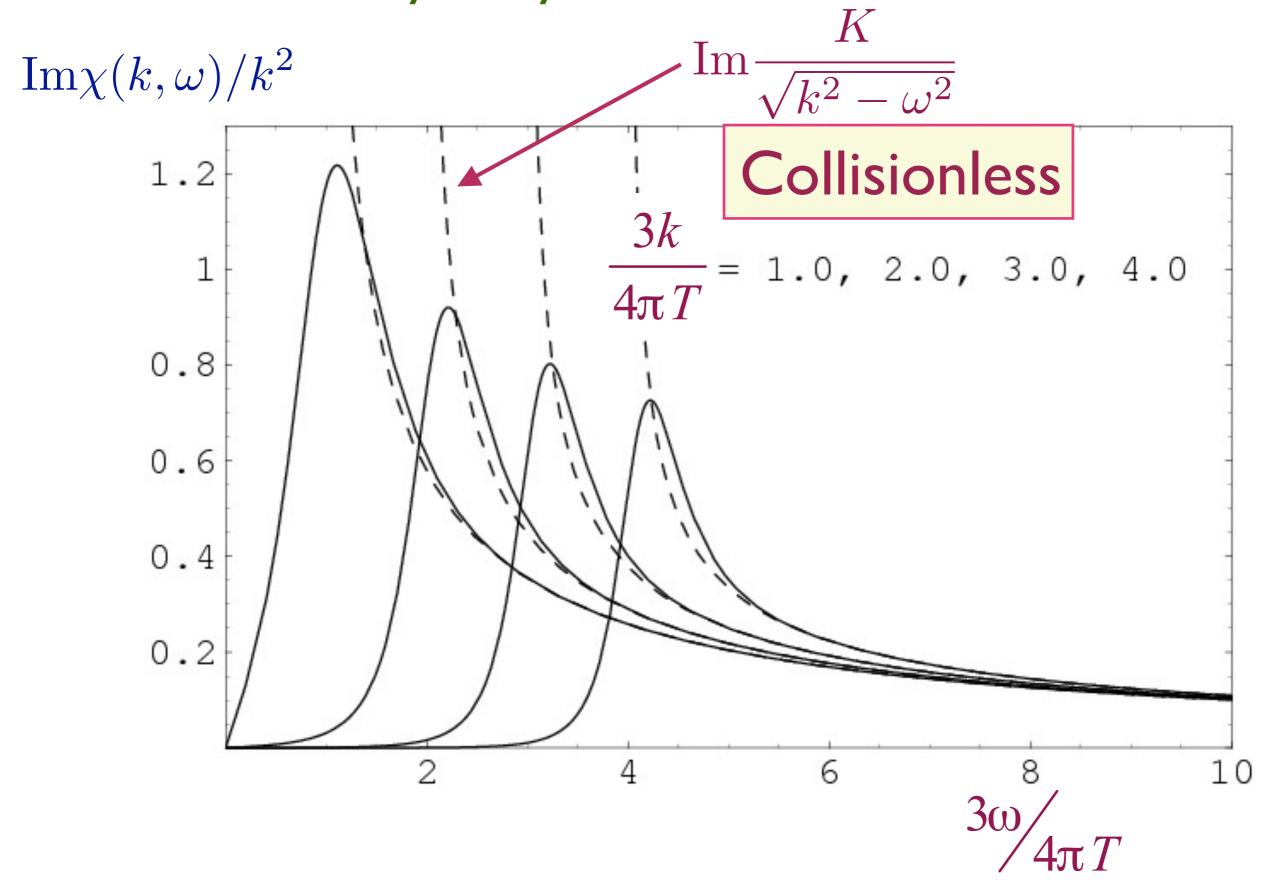
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- Critical conductivity $\Sigma = \sqrt{2}N^{3/2}/3$ ("self-dual" value).

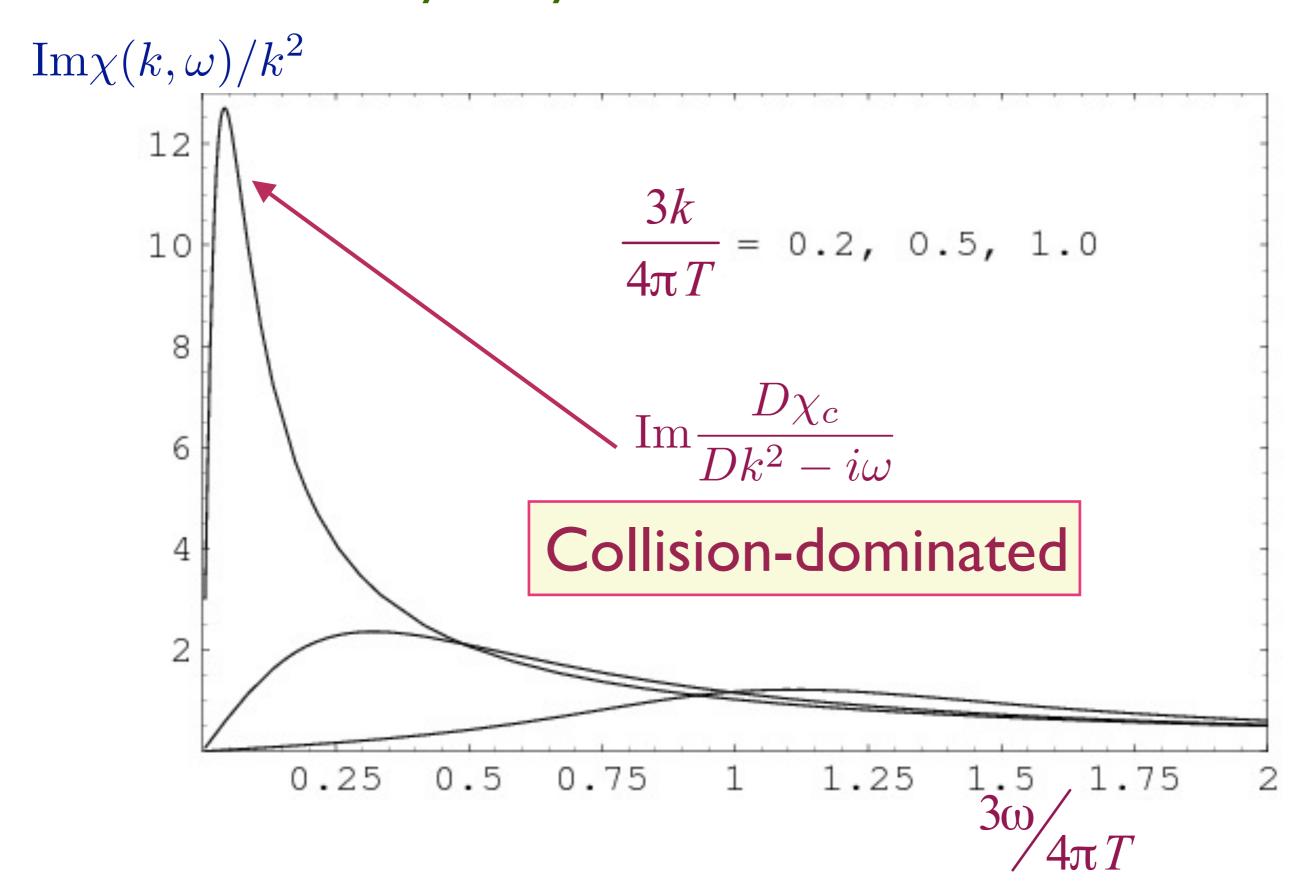
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Collisionless to hydrodynamic crossover of SYM3



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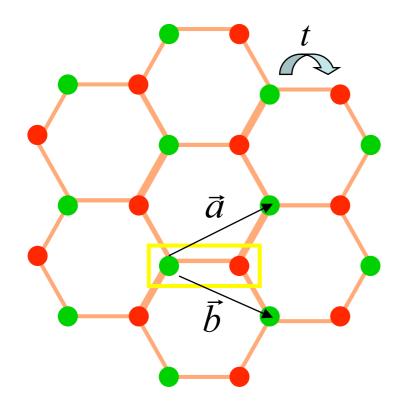
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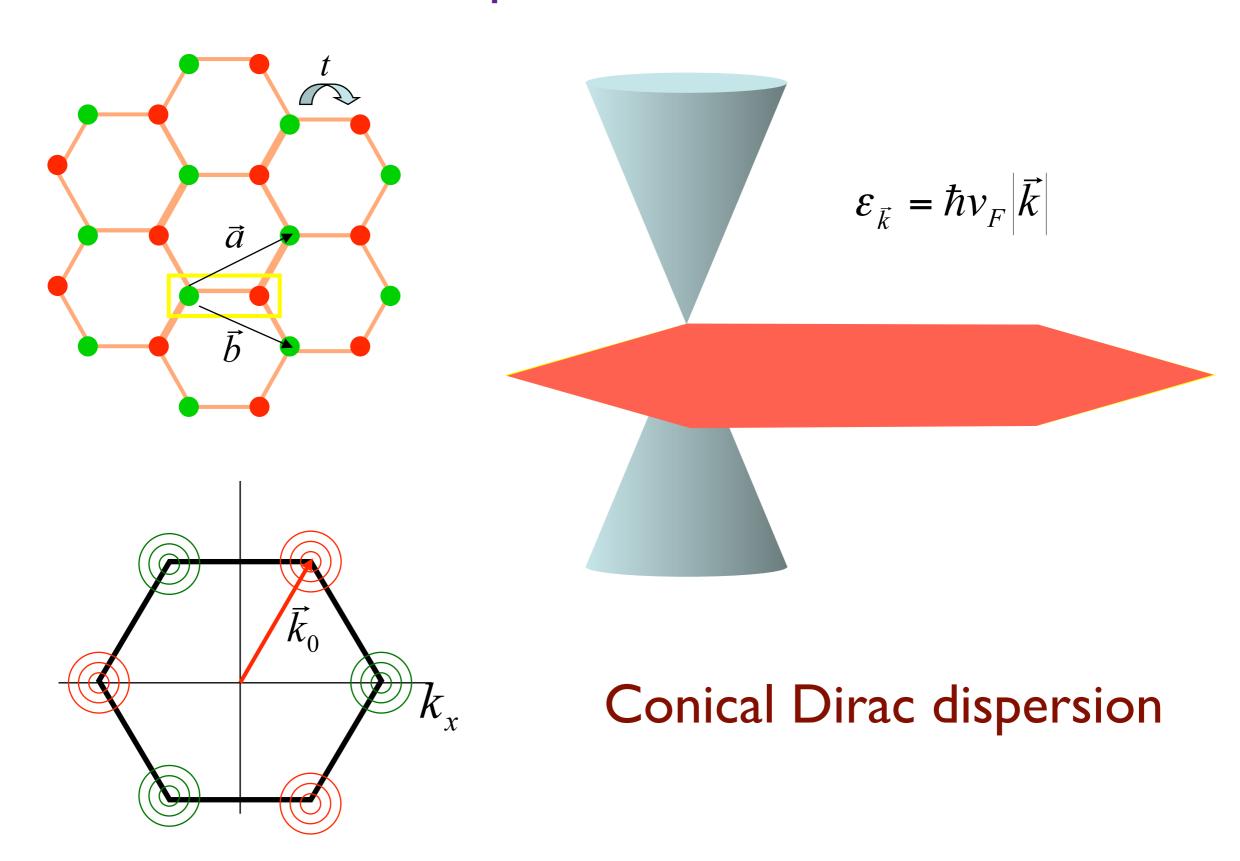
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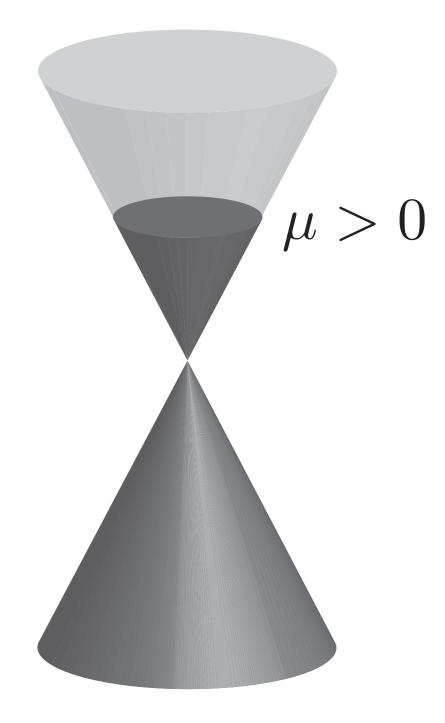
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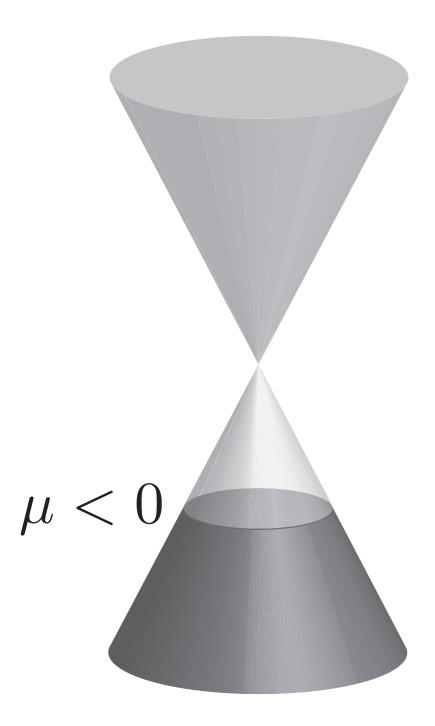


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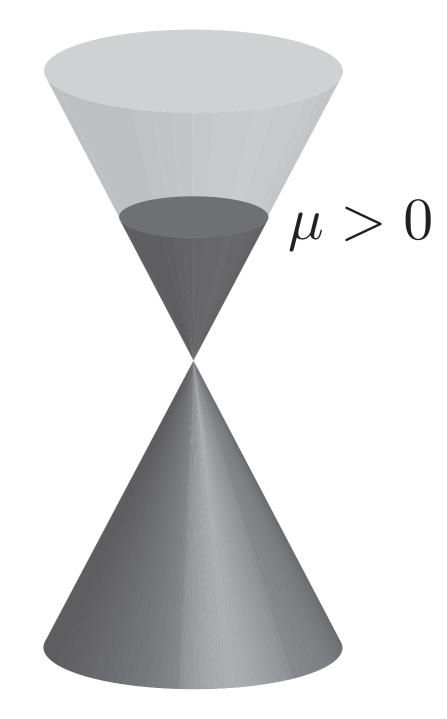


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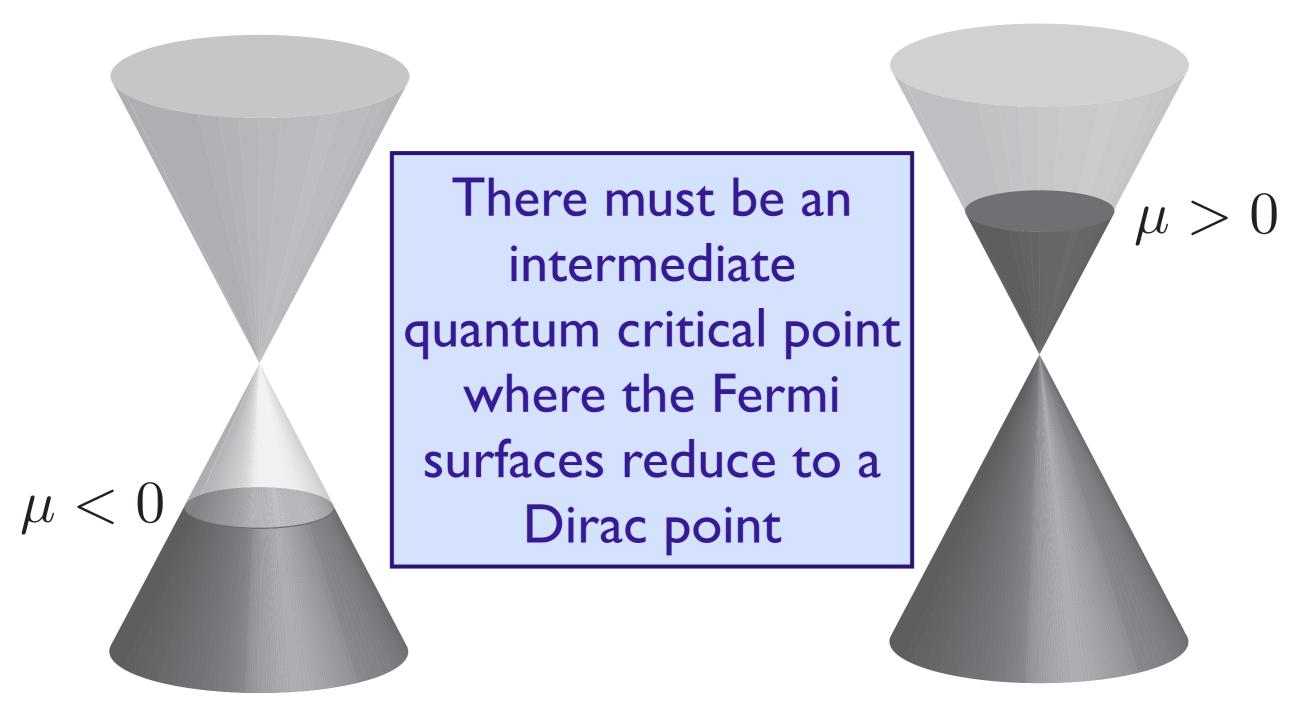


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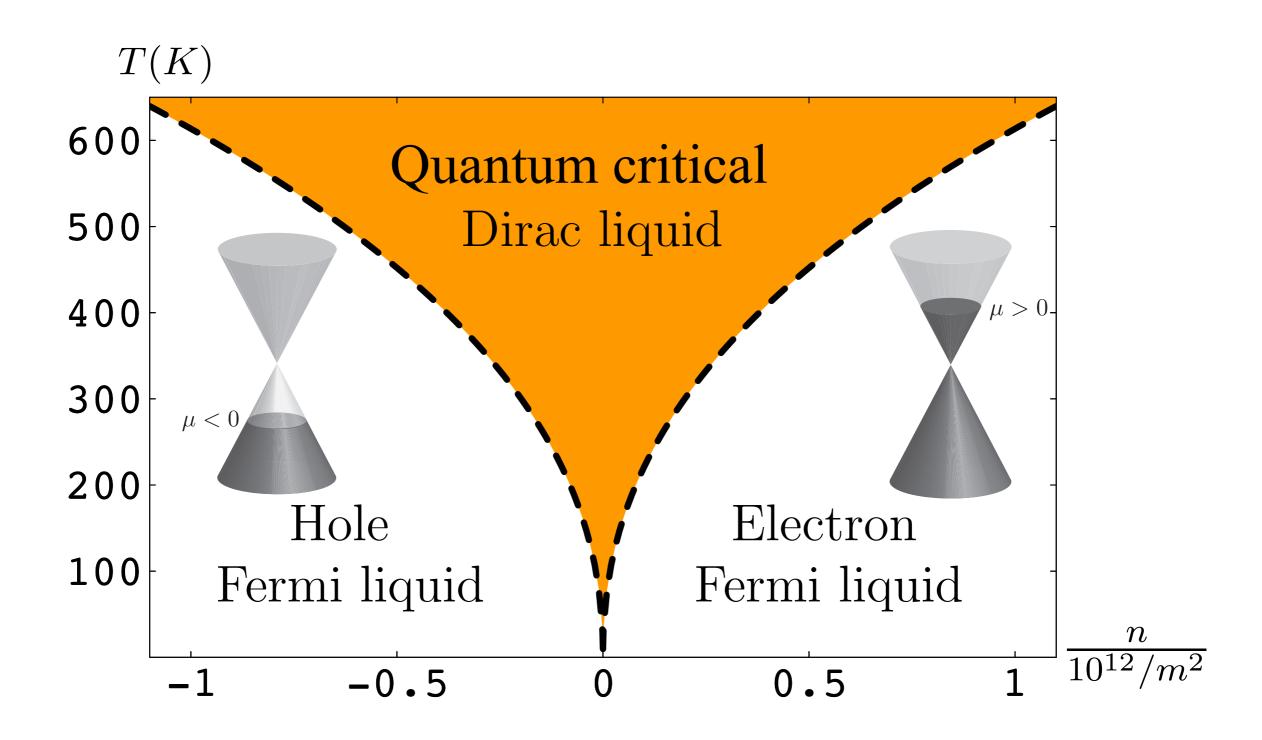
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Dimensionless "fine-structure" constant $\alpha = e^2/(\hbar v_F)$. RG flow of α :

$$\frac{d\alpha}{d\ell} = -\alpha^2 + \dots$$

Behavior is similar to a conformal field theory (CFT) in 2+1 dimensions with $\alpha \sim 1/\ln(\text{scale})$

Quantum phase transition in graphene



Quantum critical transport in graphene

$$\sigma(\omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^2}{h} \left[\frac{\pi}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{\ln(\Lambda/\omega)}\right) \right] &, \quad \hbar\omega \gg k_B T \\ \frac{e^2}{h\alpha^2(T)} \left[0.760 + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{|\ln(\alpha(T))|}\right) \right] &, \quad \hbar\omega \ll k_B T \alpha^2(T) \end{cases}$$

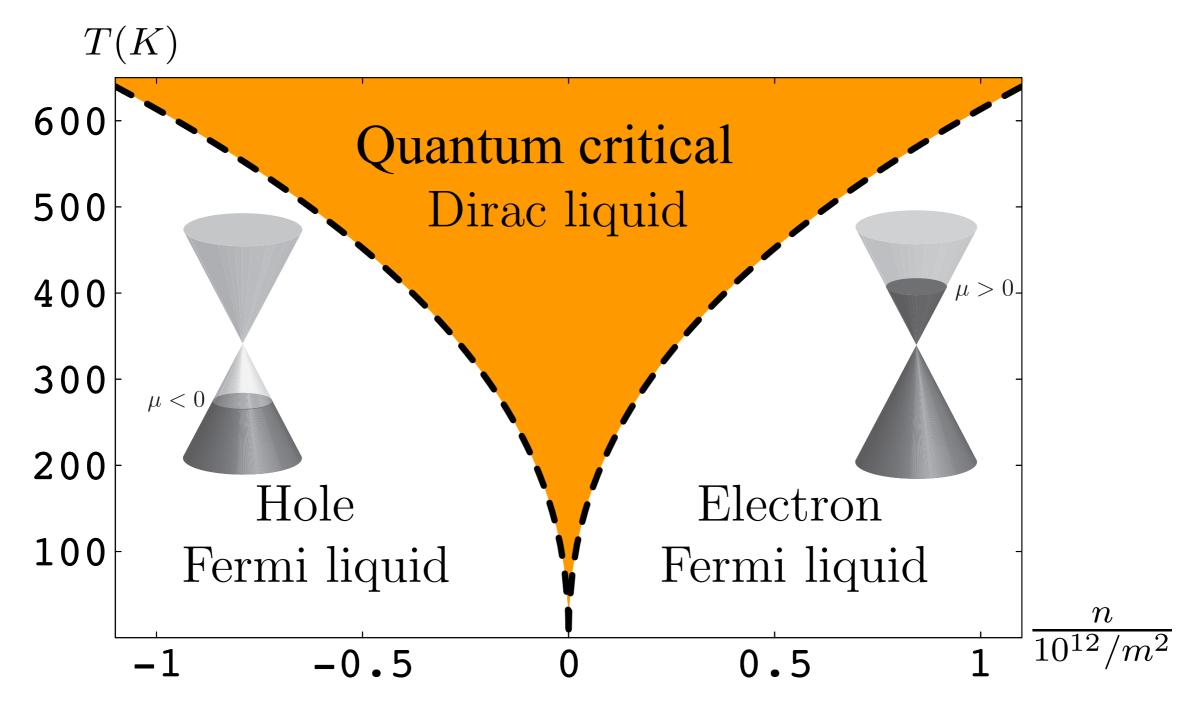
$$\frac{\eta}{s} = \frac{\hbar}{k_B \alpha^2(T)} \times 0.130$$

where the "fine structure constant" is

$$\alpha(T) = \frac{\alpha}{1 + (\alpha/4)\ln(\Lambda/T)} \stackrel{T \to 0}{\sim} \frac{4}{\ln(\Lambda/T)}$$

L. Fritz, J. Schmalian, M. Müller and S. Sachdev, *Physical Review B* **78**, 085416 (2008) M. Müller, J. Schmalian, and L. Fritz, *Physical Review Letters* **103**, 025301 (2009)

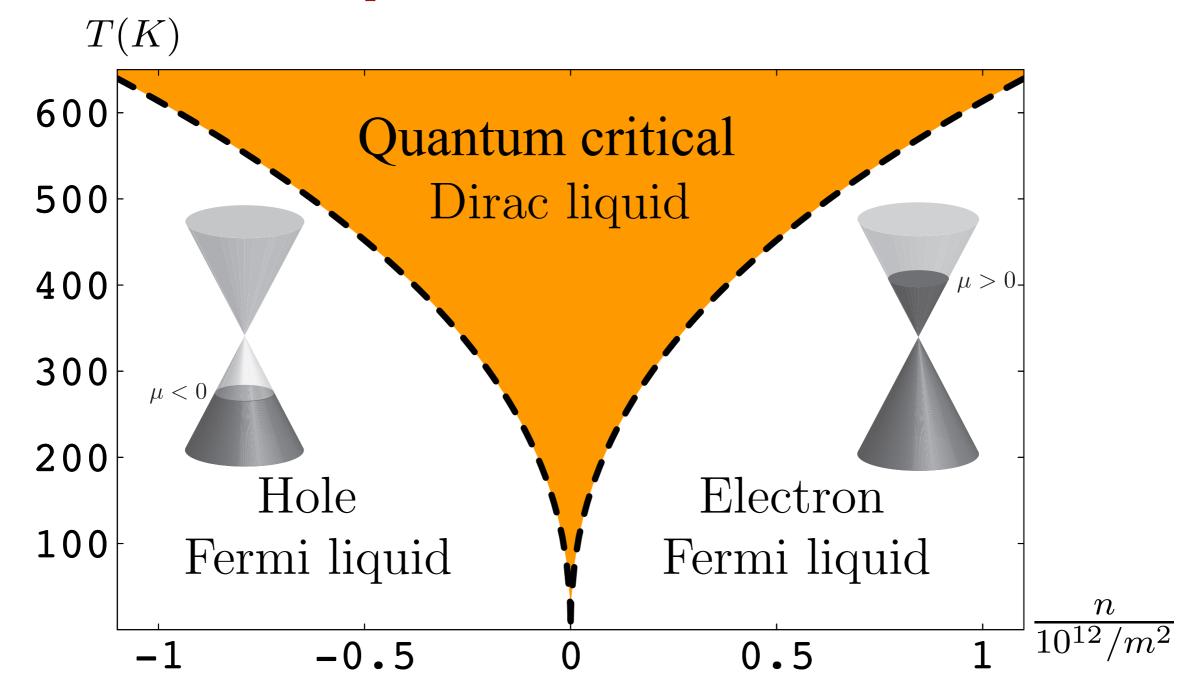
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$$\sigma = \sigma_Q + \frac{e^{*2}\rho^2 v^2}{\varepsilon + P} \pi \delta(\omega)$$

where σ_Q is the universal conductivity of the CFT, ρ is the charge density, ε is the energy density and P is the pressure.

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The same quantities also determine a "Wiedemann-Franz"-like relation for thermal conductivity, κ at B=0

$$\kappa = \sigma_Q \left(\frac{k_B^2 T}{e^{*2}}\right) \left(\frac{\varepsilon + P}{k_B T \rho}\right)^2.$$

At $B \neq 0$ and $\rho = 0$ we have a "Wiedemann-Franz" relation for "vortices"

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A second example: In an applied magnetic field B, the dynamic transport co-efficients exhibit a **hydrodynamic cy**clotron resonance at a frequency ω_c

$$\omega_c = \frac{e^* B \rho v^2}{c(\varepsilon + P)}$$

and damping constant γ

$$\gamma = \sigma_Q \frac{B^2 v^2}{c^2 (\varepsilon + P)}.$$

The same constants determine the quasinormal frequency of the Reissner-Nordstrom black hole.

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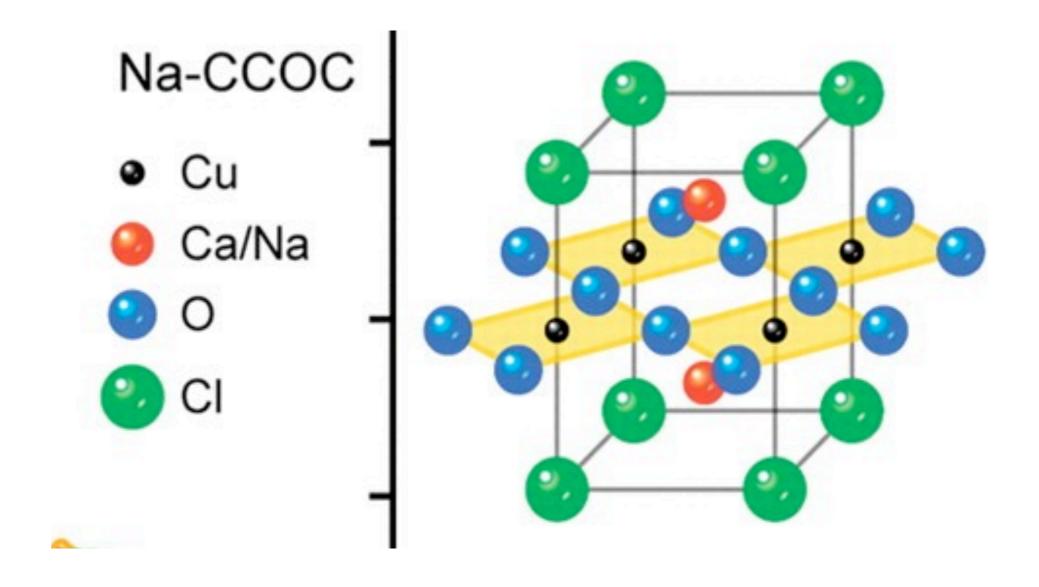
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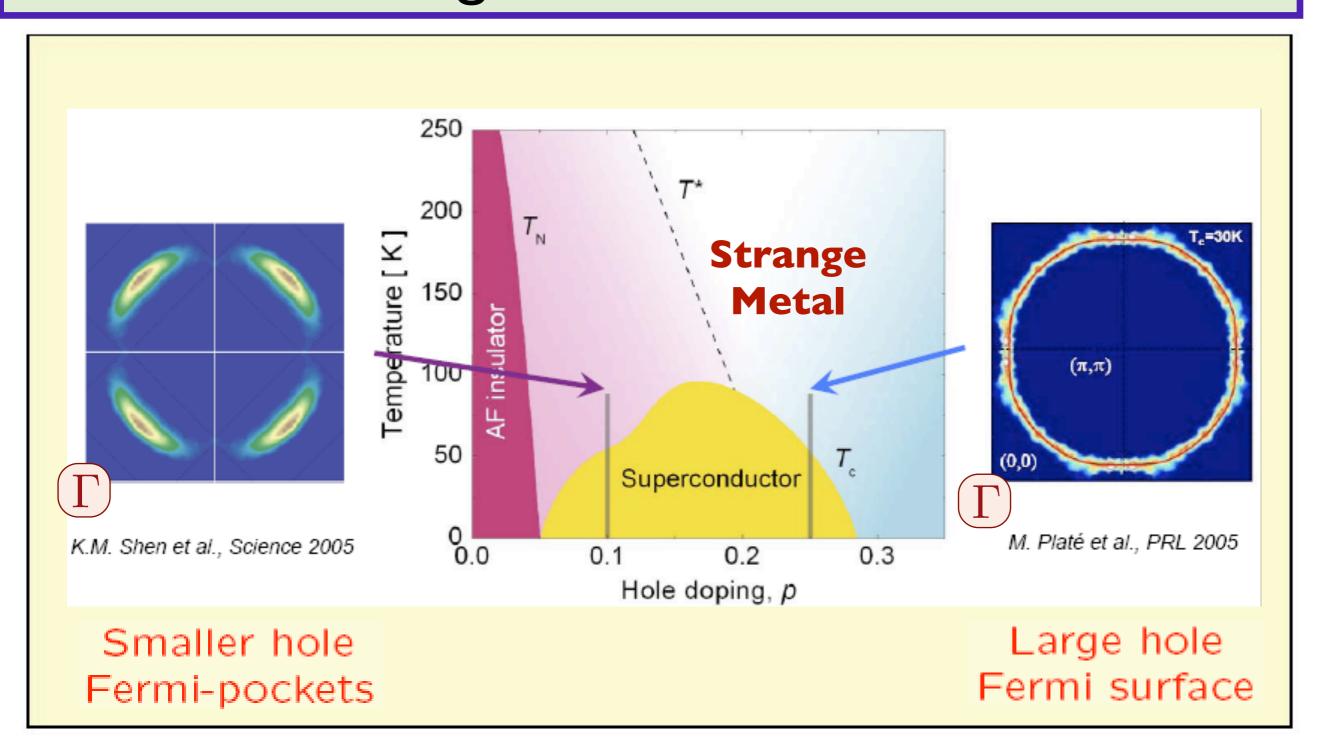
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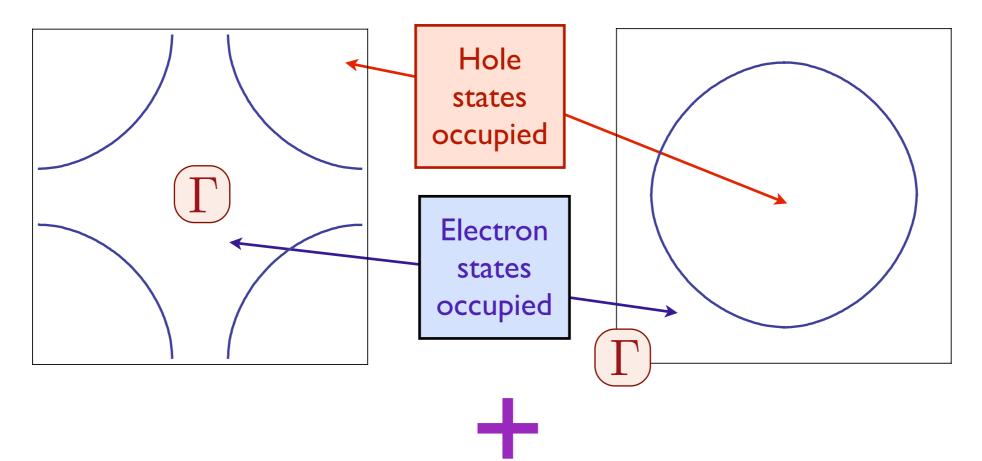
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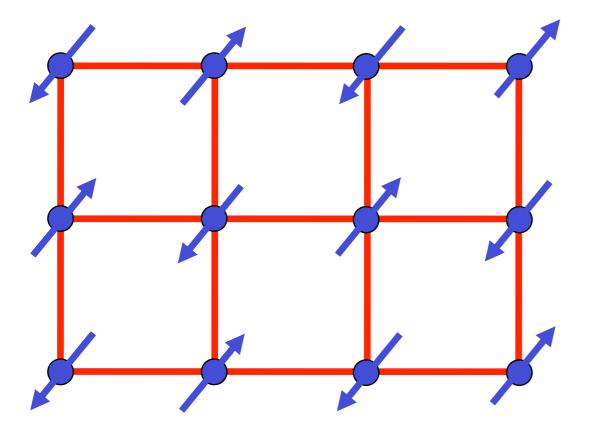


Central ingredients in cuprate phase diagram: antiferromagnetism, superconductivity, and change in Fermi surface



Fermi surface+antiferromagnetism





The electron spin polarization obeys

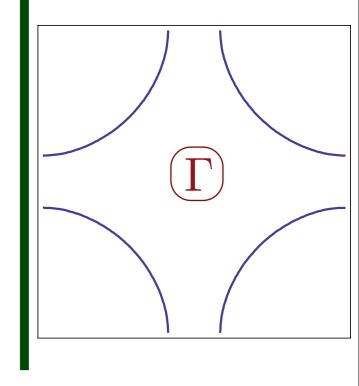
$$\left\langle \vec{S}(\mathbf{r},\tau)\right\rangle = \vec{\varphi}(\mathbf{r},\tau)e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}}$$

where \mathbf{K} is the ordering wavevector.

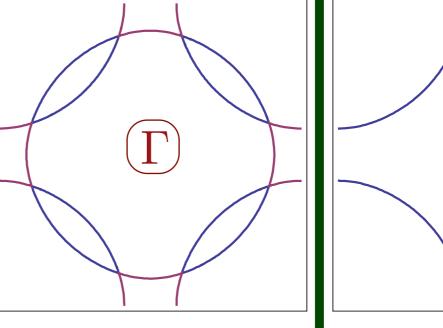
Start from the "spin-fermion" model

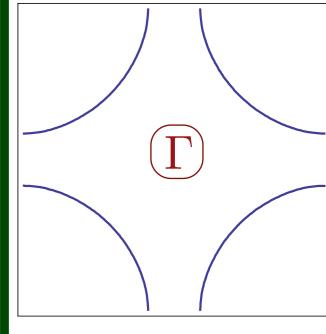
$$\mathcal{Z} = \int \mathcal{D}c_{\alpha}\mathcal{D}\vec{\varphi} \exp\left(-\mathcal{S}\right)
\mathcal{S} = \int d\tau \sum_{\mathbf{k}} c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}^{\dagger} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} - \varepsilon_{\mathbf{k}}\right) c_{\mathbf{k}\alpha}
- \lambda \int d\tau \sum_{i} c_{i\alpha}^{\dagger} \vec{\varphi}_{i} \cdot \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} c_{i\beta} e^{i\mathbf{K}\cdot\mathbf{r}_{i}}
+ \int d\tau d^{2}r \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\mathbf{\nabla}_{r}\vec{\varphi}\right)^{2} + \frac{\widetilde{\zeta}}{2} \left(\partial_{\tau}\vec{\varphi}\right)^{2} + \frac{s}{2}\vec{\varphi}^{2} + \frac{u}{4}\vec{\varphi}^{4}\right]$$

Increasing SDW order-

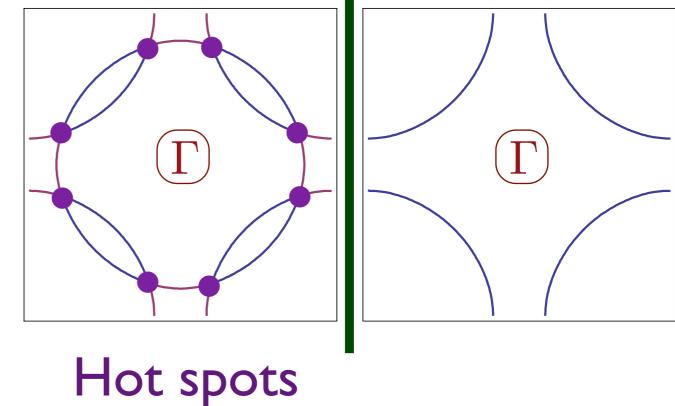


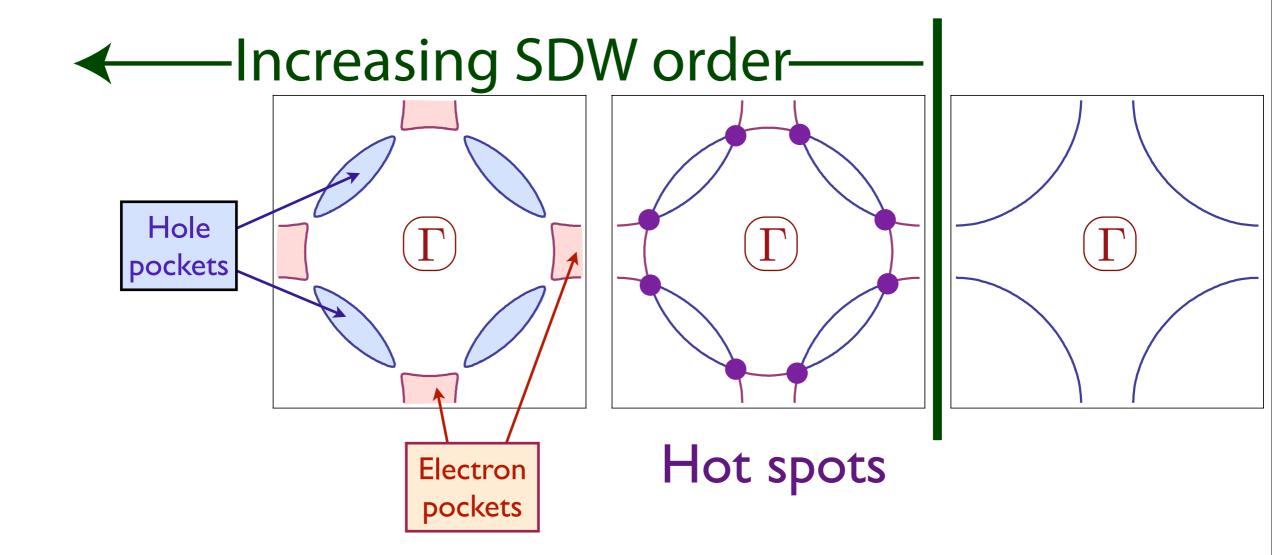
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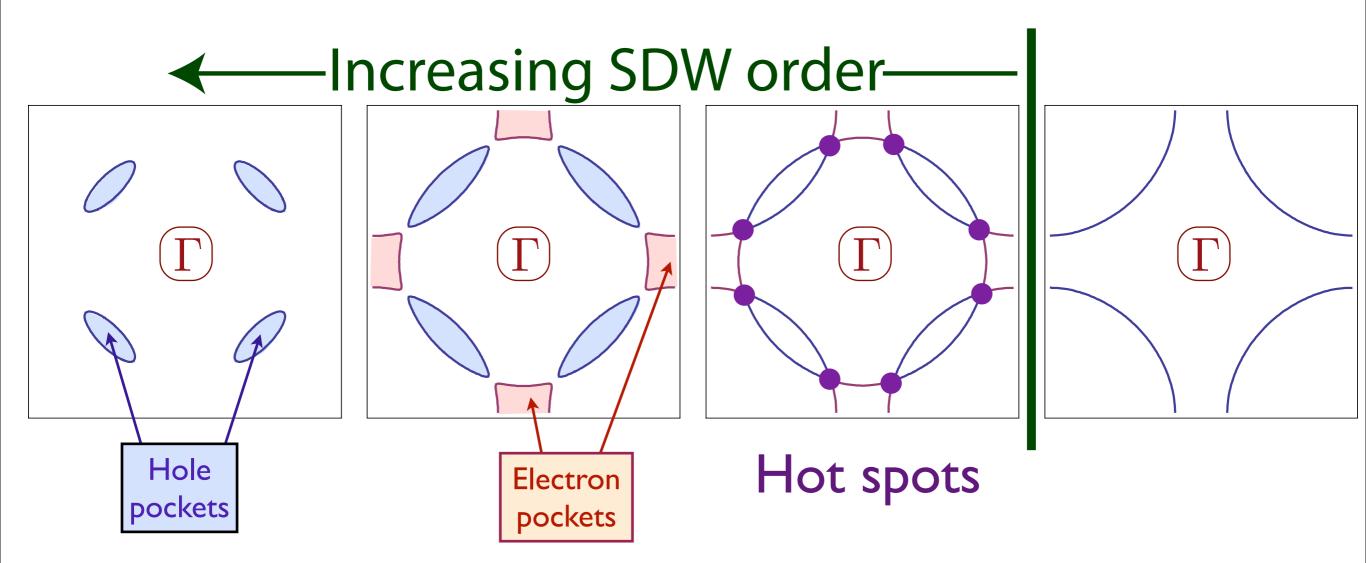


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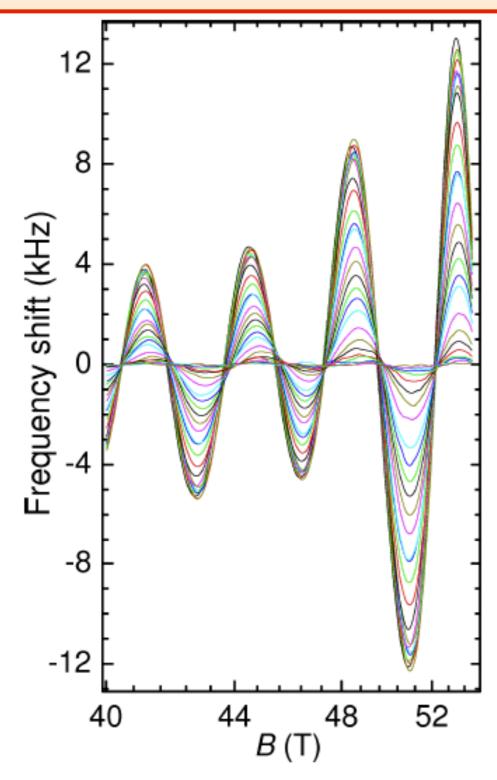


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Evidence for small Fermi pockets



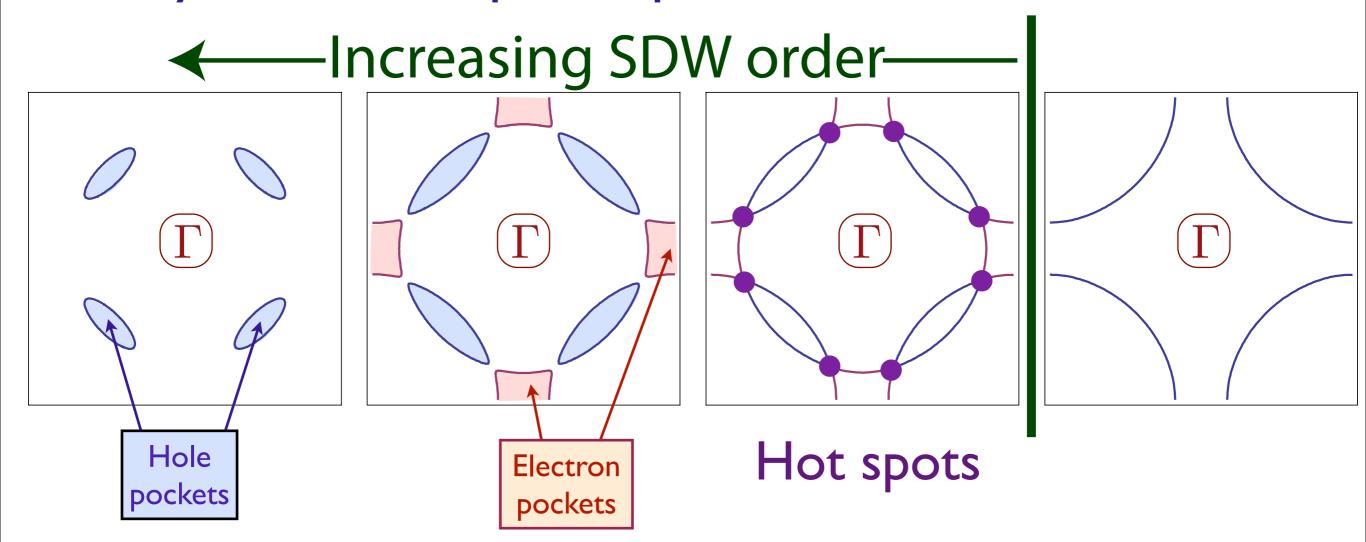
Fermi liquid behaviour in an underdoped high Tc superconductor

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arXiv:0912.3022

FIG. 2: Magnetic quantum oscillations measured in YBa₂Cu₃O_{6+x} with $x \approx 0.56$ (after background polynomial subtraction). This restricted interval in $B = |\mathbf{B}|$ furnishes a dynamic range of ~ 50 dB between T = 1 and 18 K. The actual T values are provided in Fig. 3.

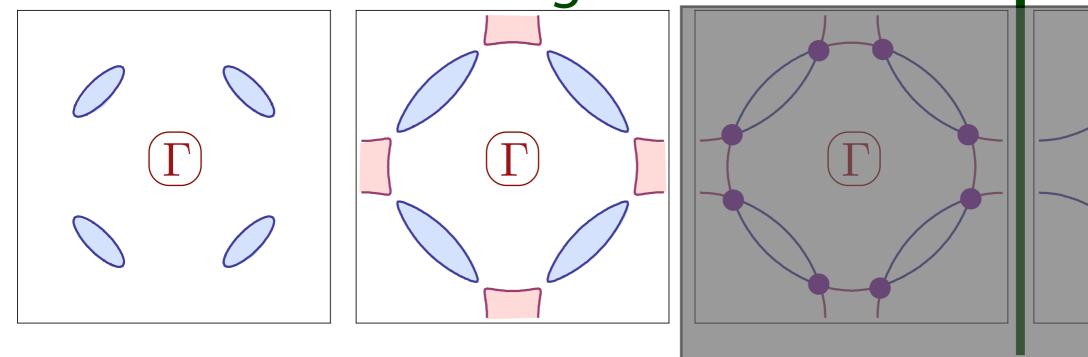
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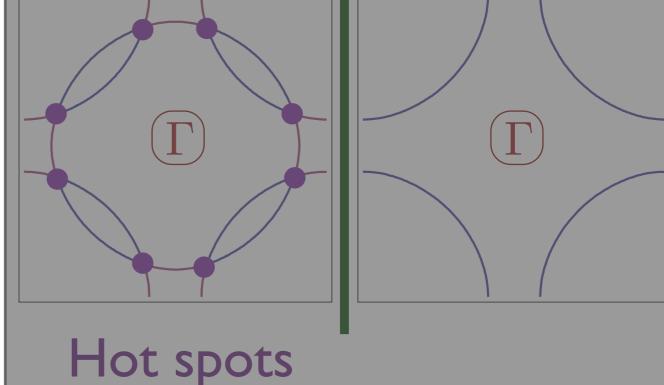


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Begin with SDW ordered state, and rotate to a frame polarized along the local orientation of the SDW order $\hat{\vec{\varphi}}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} c_{\uparrow} \\ c_{\downarrow} \end{pmatrix} = R \begin{pmatrix} \psi_{+} \\ \psi_{-} \end{pmatrix} ; \quad R^{\dagger} \hat{\varphi} \cdot \vec{\sigma} R = \sigma^{z} ; \quad R^{\dagger} R = 1$$

H. J. Schulz, Physical Review Letters 65, 2462 (1990)

B. I. Shraiman and E. D. Siggia, *Physical Review Letters* **61**, 467 (1988).

J. R. Schrieffer, Journal of Superconductivity 17, 539 (2004)

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With
$$R = \begin{pmatrix} z_{\uparrow} & -z_{\downarrow}^* \\ z_{\downarrow} & z_{\uparrow}^* \end{pmatrix}$$
 or $\hat{\vec{\varphi}} = z_{\alpha}^* \vec{\sigma}_{\alpha\beta} z_{\beta}$

the theory is invariant under

$$z_{\alpha} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} z_{\alpha} \; ; \; \psi_{+} \rightarrow e^{-i\theta} \psi_{+} \; ; \; \psi_{-} \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \psi_{-}$$

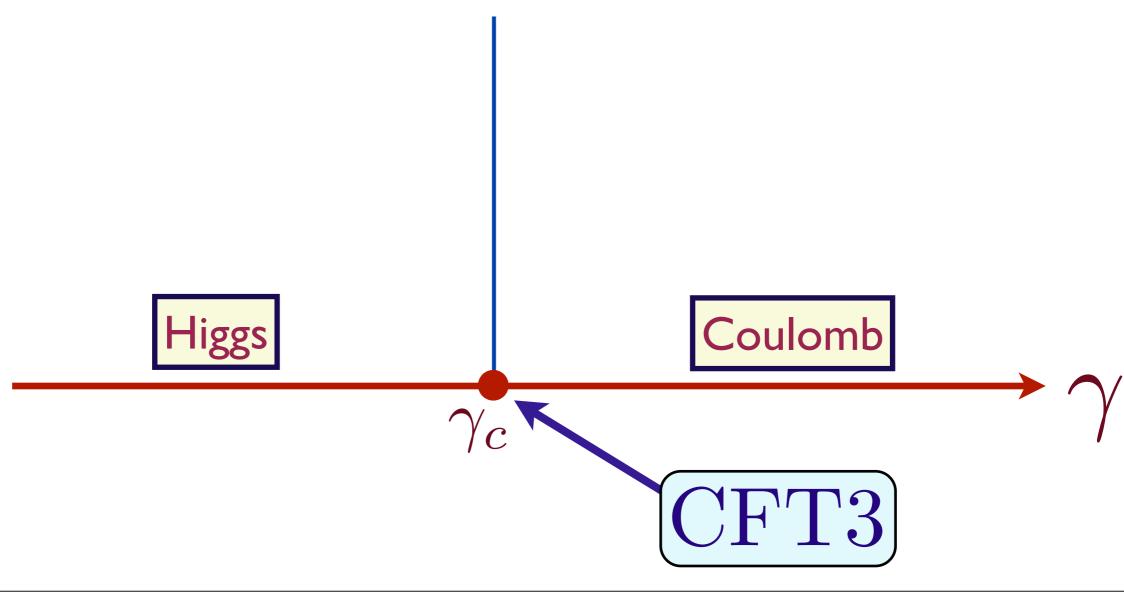
We obtain a U(1) gauge theory of

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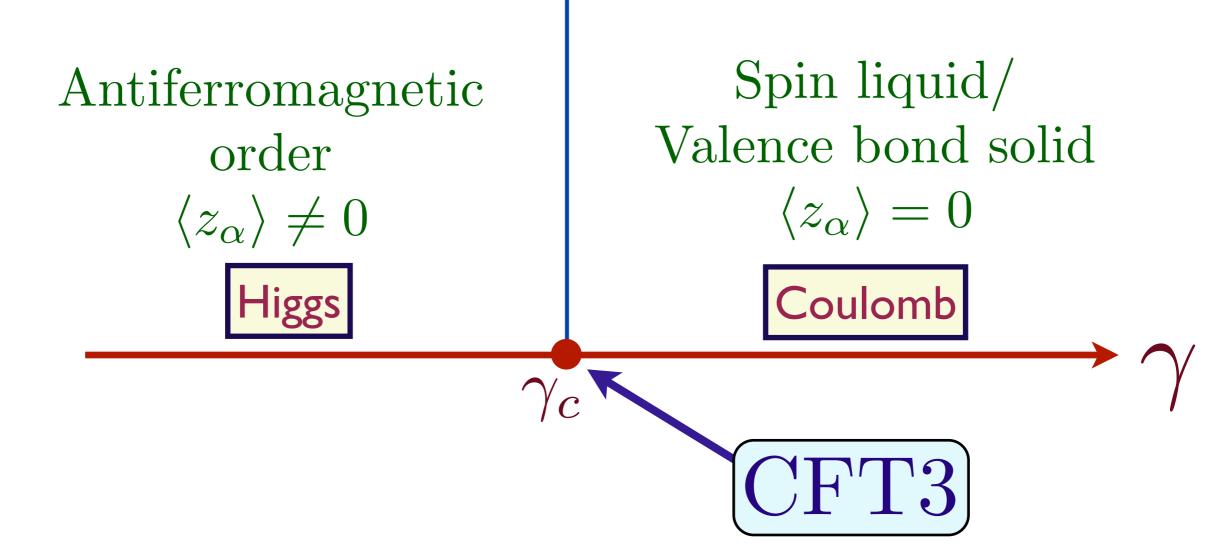
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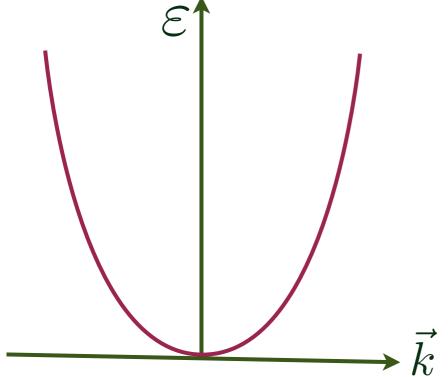


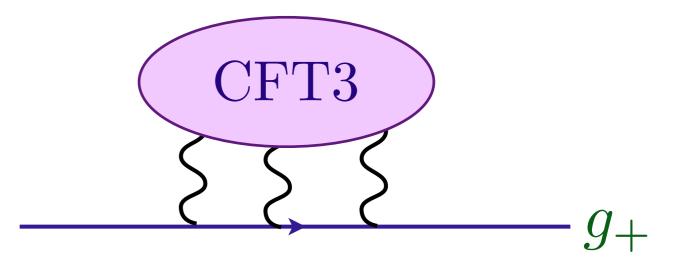
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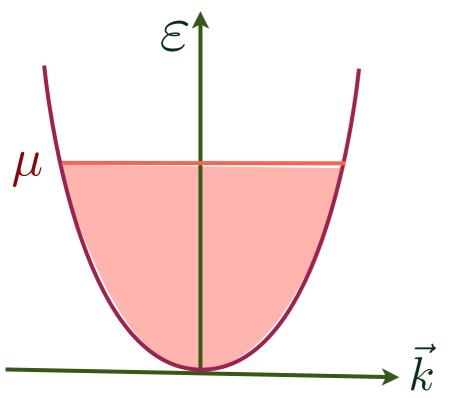


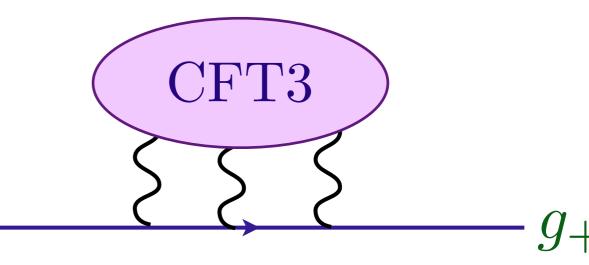
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Complete theory

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V. Galitski and S. Sachdev, *Phys. Rev.* B **79**, 134512 (2009).

Theory has many similarities to holographic superconductors (Gubser, Hartnoll, Herzog, Horowitz) solved via the AdS/CFT correspondence, which (presumably) describe SYM3 theories in which gluinos pair via exchange of gluons into color singlets, and then Bose condense:

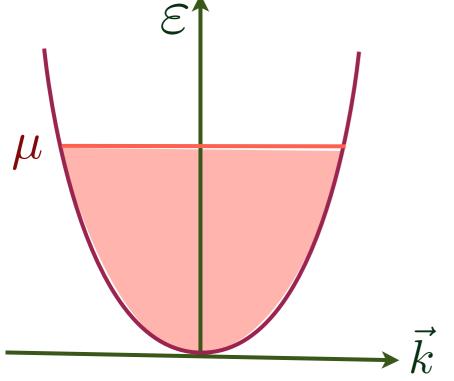
- Fermi surfaces with non-Fermi singularities in spectral functions
- Cooper pairs which are gauge neutral
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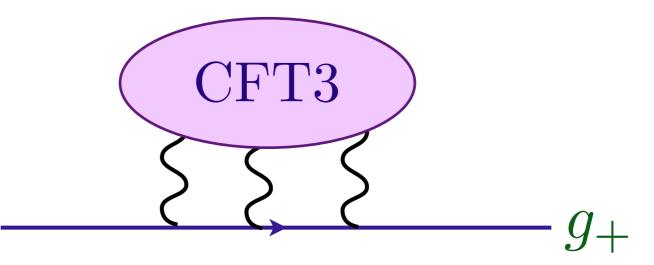
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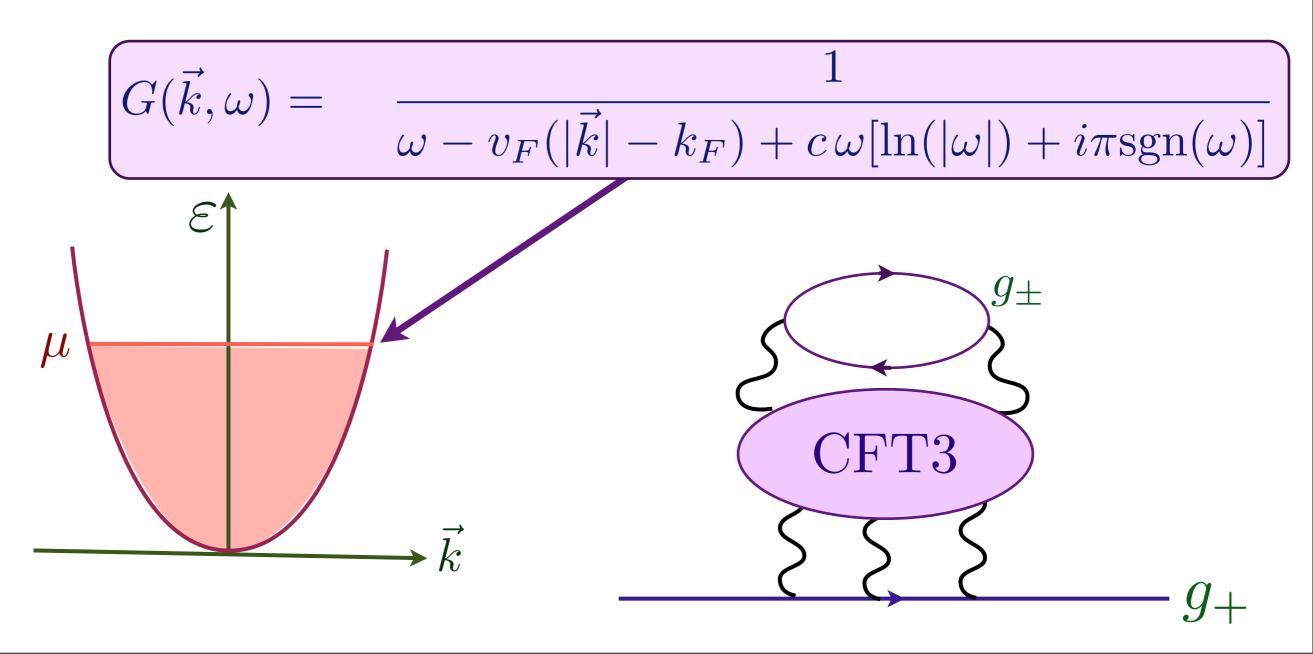
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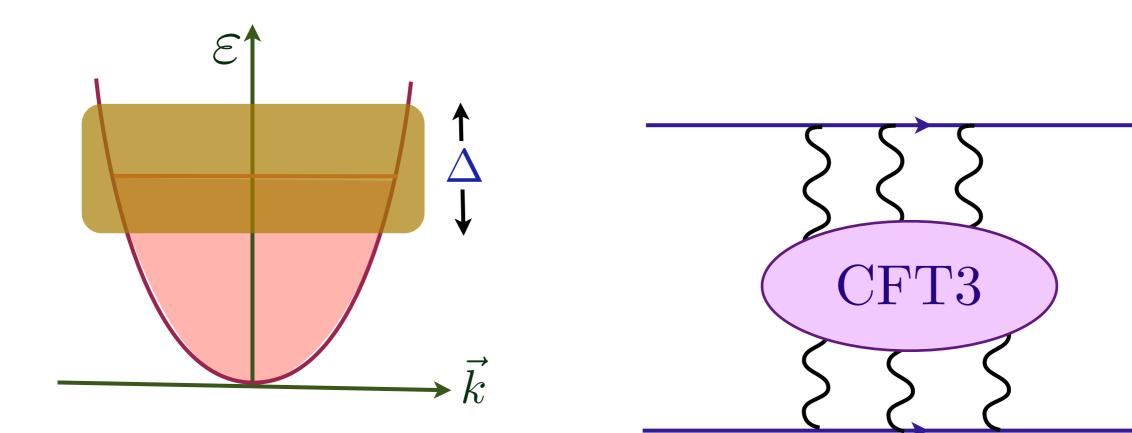


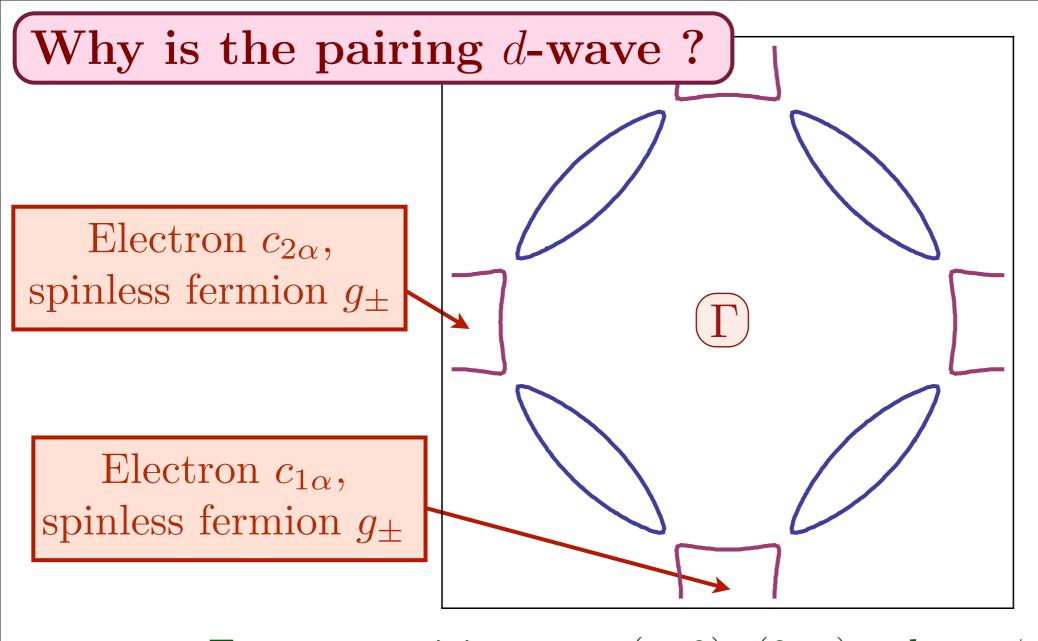


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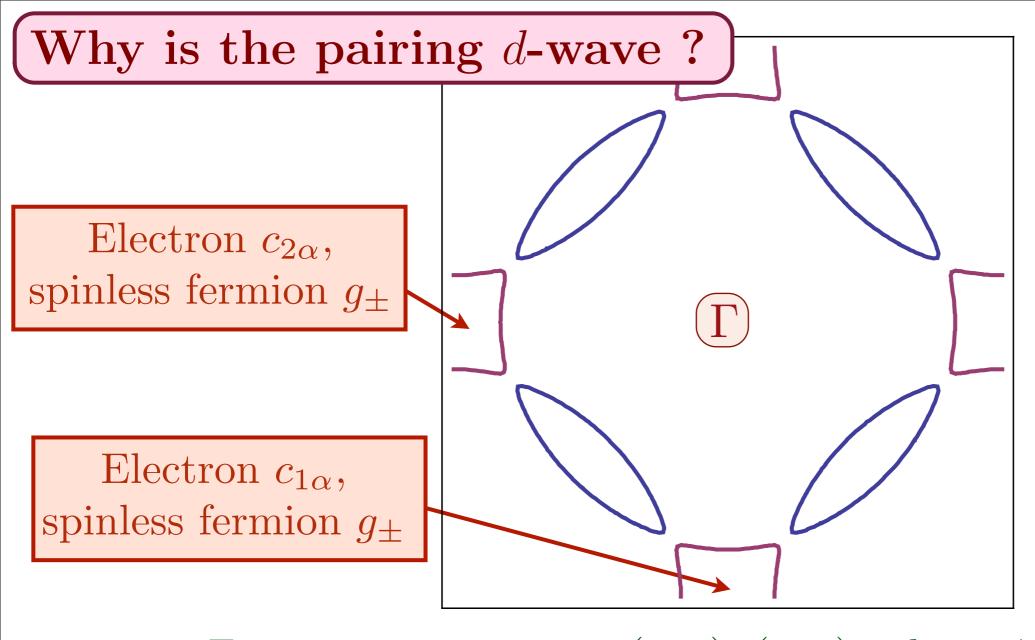
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Why is the pairing d-wave?

Fluctuating pocket theory for electrons near $(0,\pi)$ and $(\pi,0)$

Attractive gauge forces lead to simple s-wave pairing of the g_{\pm}

$$\langle g_+g_-\rangle = \Delta$$

For the physical electron operators, this pairing implies

$$\langle c_{1\uparrow}c_{1\downarrow}\rangle = \Delta \langle |z_{\alpha}|^2 \rangle$$
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i.e. d-wave pairing!

R. K. Kaul, M. Metlitksi, S. Sachdev, and Cenke Xu, Phys. Rev. B 78, 045110 (2008).

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Higgs

Spin liquid/ Valence bond solid $\langle z_{\alpha} \rangle = 0$

Coulomb

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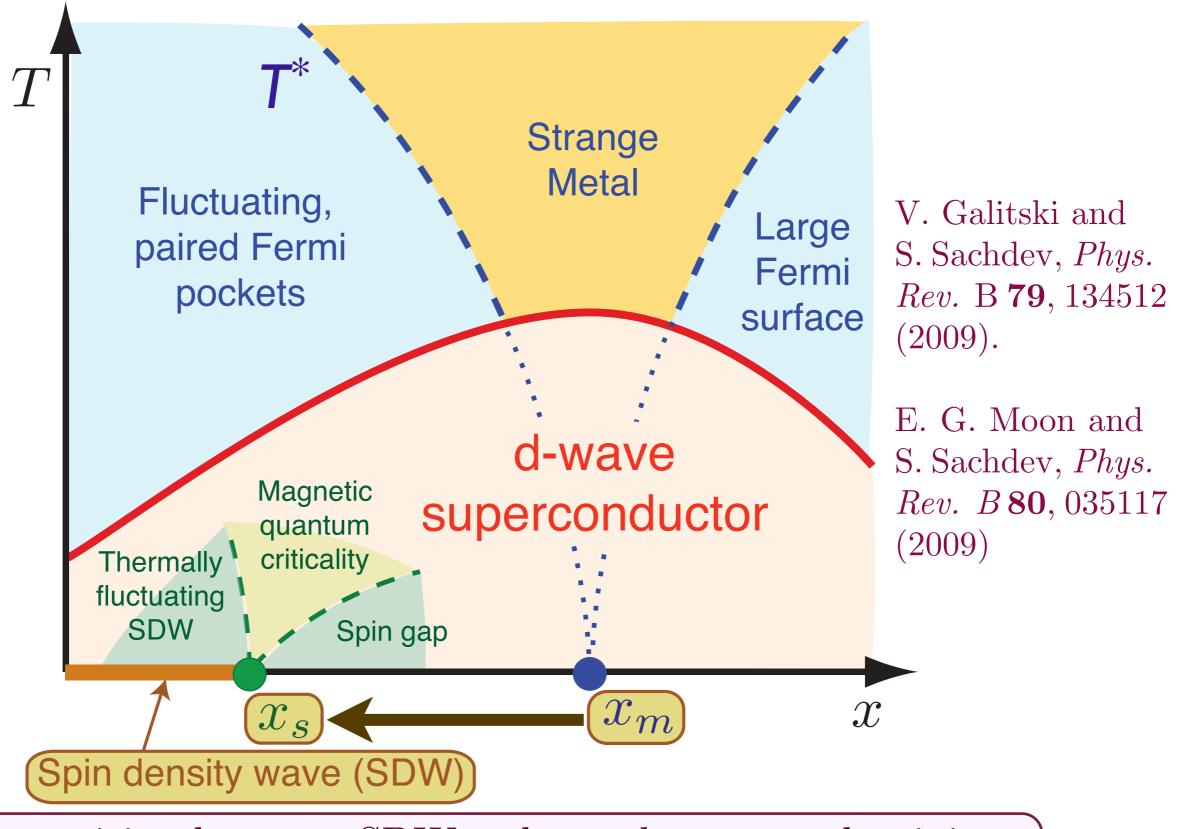
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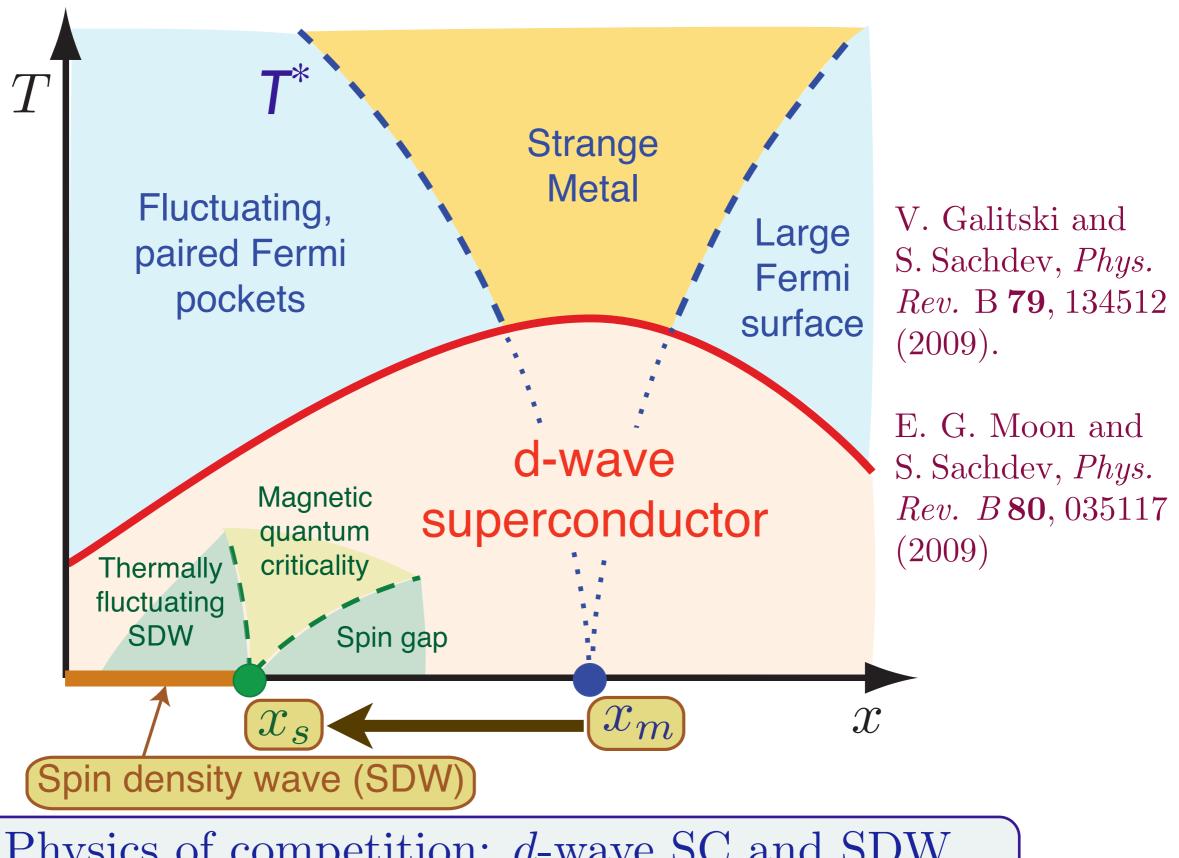
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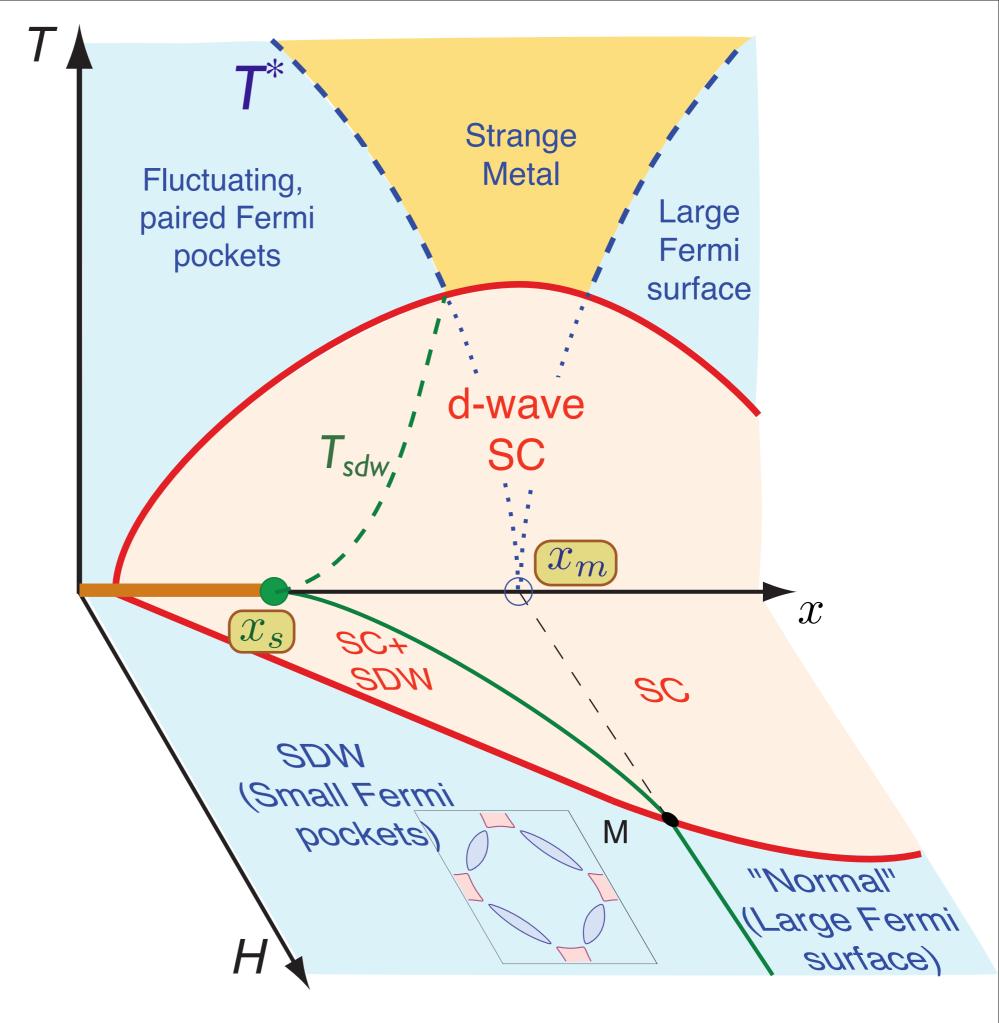


Competition between SDW order and superconductivity moves the actual quantum critical point to $x = x_s < x_m$.

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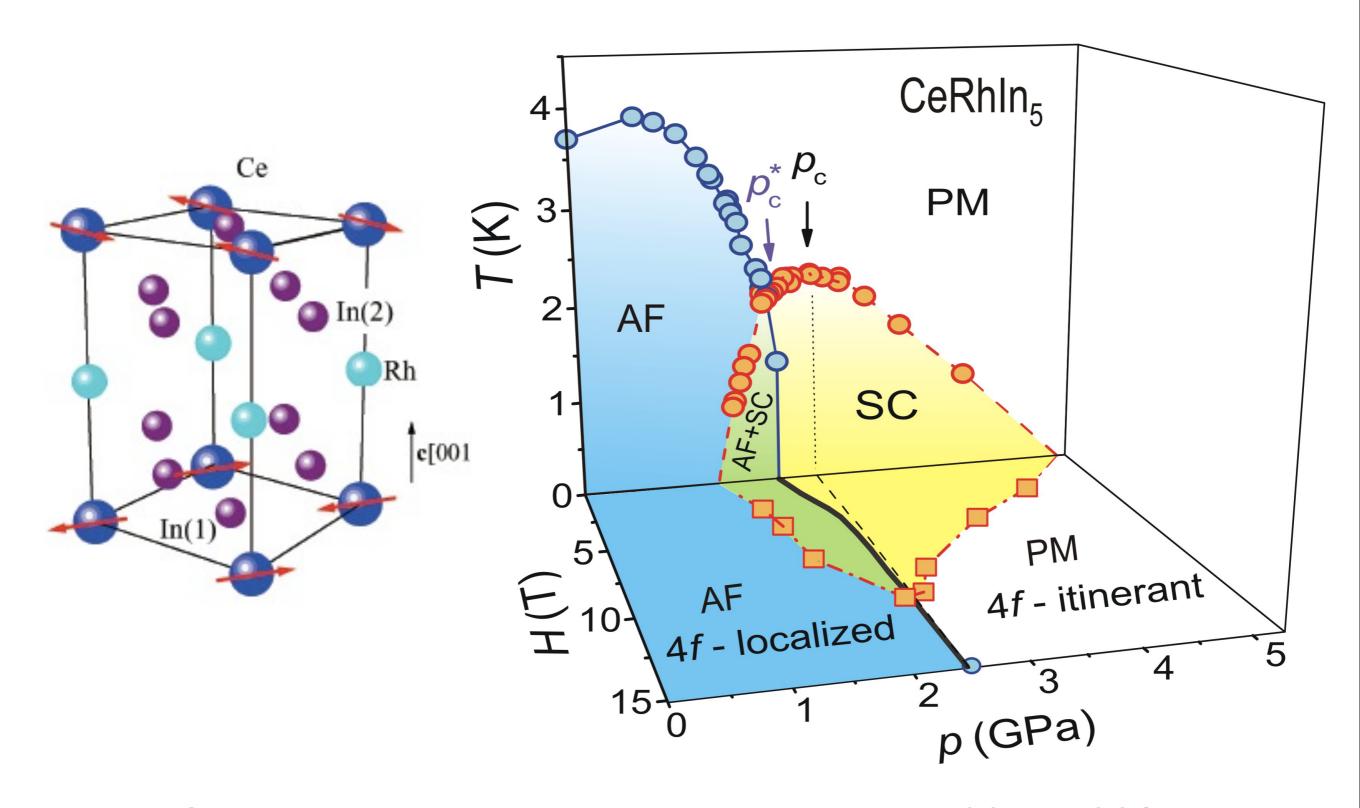


Physics of competition: d-wave SC and SDW "eat up" same pieces of the large Fermi surface.



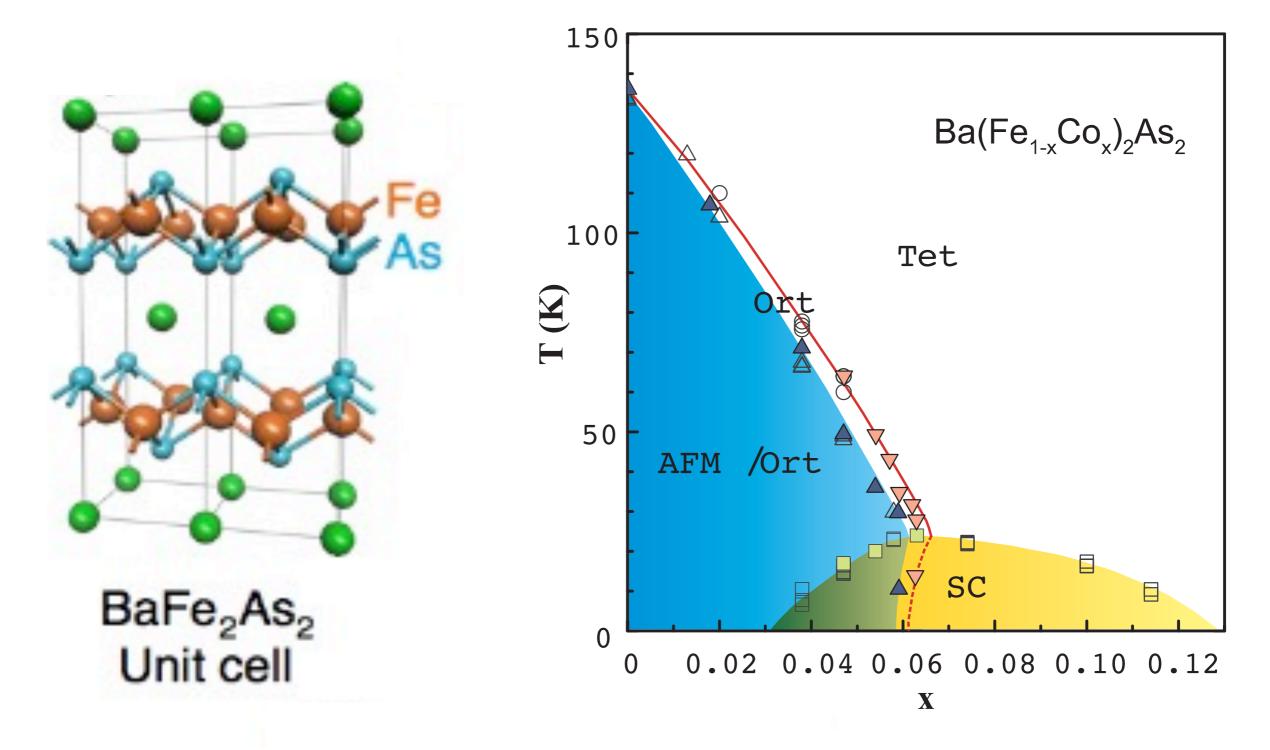
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